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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Japan Sea Air Clash

RUSSIAN jet pilots have shot down another U.S. Naval bomber off the coast of Siberia. Is the attack to be denounced as another blatant example of irresponsible trigger-happiness by the Russians, or is it to be excused as "one of those unfortunate misunderstandings", or are the Americans to be blamed for flying in this dangerous area which has already earned the name of the "graveyard" of American patrol planes? Certainly the policy of "shoot first" is reckless and dangerous and one that is to be deplored when a comparatively harmless "violation of frontiers" (if indeed that is what happened) could be settled easily through normal diplomatic channels. Consider the American version of the incident: The Russians made an unprovoked attack on the naval patrol plane in international waters. This would not be at all surprising—the Russians have done it before in that same area, resulting in the loss of two American patrol planes, one in 1951 and another in 1953. The Russians have done the same thing in Europe in the Berlin air corridor. Now consider the Russian version: the two Russian planes approached the American plane to warn it that it was out of bounds and "to propose that it should leave immediately the air space of the Soviet Union". The American plane could have been off course; the Russian planes could have approached it, as they say, to warn it of its alleged transgression and the Americans could have misunderstood the intentions of the Russians and, fearing attack, opened fire. This may cause many people to doubt the words of the American airmen. It is possibly calculated to do just that.

WE would prefer to accept the American version of the attack but, in doing so, it must be stressed that the Americans are taking grave risks by flying so close to the Communist coast and it would be better if this could be avoided. These "strategic surveillance" patrols, in many cases, fly perilously close to Siberia, the eastern and western coasts of North Korea, Port Arthur, Dairen and the China coast. The patrol plane which was shot down on Saturday was only 44 miles from the Siberian mainland. America would not appreciate the presence of a Soviet aircraft so close to its coast. Unless these patrols are very carefully executed, they may lead to "misunderstanding" by the Communists who, as the Americans should know by now, are capable of turning the "most innocent operation" into a "provocative" act of aggression. Failure to take these precautions may lead to further incidents of this nature and this will only lead to a grave situation.

MOUNTBATTEN TIPPED FOR TOP JOB

To Give Up C-I-C Post In Mediterranean NEXT FIRST LORD?



EARL MOUNTBATTEN

Eisenhower Angry With Knowland

Washington, Sept. 6. President Eisenhower is said to be angry with Senator William Knowland, the Republican Party leader in the Senate, who publicly demanded that because of the shooting down of the U.S. Naval patrol planes by Communist fighters, the United States should sever diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia.

Mr. Eisenhower was reported to be indignant and upset because Senator Knowland made public a telegram to him urging this reversal of policy before the President received it.

The President's attitude is well known—that such a demand is likely to create unnecessary confusion and misunderstanding among United States allies. He is on record as saying the United States cannot possibly serve its best interests by breaking completely with Russia.

Through Mr. James Hagerty, the White House press secretary, told reporters in Denver that the reply to Senator Knowland would not be disclosed, it is understood the President is considering whether he should also make a public statement which would leave room for doubt about his policy.

Senior United States foreign policy officials broke their holiday today for top level conferences on the shooting incident.

They were in constant touch with President Eisenhower at his "holiday White House" in Denver, Colorado, and with Mr. John Foster Dulles, American Secretary of State, in Manila for the SEATO conference.—Reuters.

Six Killed In Swedish Train Crash

Stockholm, Sept. 6. An express train ran off the rails and plunged into a marsh in South Sweden today, killing six people and injuring about 50.

The accident occurred at Roserick, between Malmö and Stockholm. The killed and injured were in the train's day carriage.

Sleeping cars remained on the track.

It was the worst accident on the Government-owned Swedish railways since January, 1951.—Reuters and United Press.

Japanese Volcano Erupts

Tokyo, Sept. 6. Mount Asama, largest active volcano on the Japanese island of Honshu, erupted with a big explosion this evening.

Rumbling were still heard an hour after the initial explosion.

The meteorological observatory at Karuizawa, famous summer resort near Tokyo, said that the eruption was the first since 1947.

London, Sept. 6. Admiral Earl Mountbatten of Burma will relinquish his post as Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, in December, the Admiralty announced tonight.

But an Admiralty spokesman said no future appointment for Earl Mountbatten, who is uncle of the Duke of Edinburgh, was yet known. However, he has been unofficially tipped as the next First Sea Lord of the Admiralty.

Earl Mountbatten assumed the additional post of C-in-C, Allied Forces, Mediterranean, on its inception in March 1953.

He is to be succeeded in both posts in December by Admiral Sir Guy Grantham, 64, formerly second in command, Mediterranean Fleet.

Earl Mountbatten has been British Commander-in-Chief in the Mediterranean since May 1952, when he succeeded Admiral Sir John Edelman.

He was appointed when he was Fourth Sea Lord, one of many distinguished positions he has filled in a long career during which he has been Viceroy of India and wartime Allied Supreme Commander in South-East Asia.

PURELY ROUTINE

An Admiralty official said later that the changeover was purely "routine".

Six Die In Nigerian Rioting

Lagos, Nigeria, Sept. 6. Riots flared at Oyo, 140 miles from here, yesterday claiming six deaths and 23 people were injured, it was reported today.

Oyo is a town of 45,000 inhabitants, 300 miles north of Ibadan, seat of the Western Regional Government.

The riots broke out when rival political parties began to assemble during a meeting organized by the National Council of Nigeria and the Cameroons (NCNC). This is one of the major political parties which will contest the Federal elections later this year.

In the House of Assembly at Ibadan this afternoon, Dr. Obafemi Awolowo, leader of the Action Group, the party in power in the Western Region, accused the NCNC of starting the riot. He said if politics were going to degenerate in this way he would give them up.

Replying Mr. T. O. S. Benson, the Opposition leader, said that whenever his party held meetings, they were attacked by hired hooligans.

Among the injured was H. O. D. Davies who assisted in the defence of Mau Mau leader Jomo Kenyatta during his trial in Kenya. Davies was at Oyo campaigning on behalf of the NCNC.

The town was stated to be quiet again tonight.—Reuters.

Admiral Sir Guy Grantham, 64, was naval liaison officer to the 8th Army in the western desert in the last war. He won the Distinguished Service Order for gallantry during the withdrawal of Allied fighting men from Greece.

In 1944 and 1945, he attended the Quebec, Yalta and Potsdam conferences as a member of the staff of the First Sea Lord.

France-Press said, for some time rumours have been current in political circles that he would be appointed First Sea Lord.

TORY OPPOSITION

This suggestion is opposed by certain Conservative quarters, including the London newspaper "Daily Express," which reproaches Lord Mountbatten for preparing for the departure of the British from India when he served as Viceroy of India under a Labour government.

Lord Mountbatten's father, Admiral Battenberg, was First Sea Lord in 1914. He changed his name to Mountbatten in 1917. Although he showed great vigilance in the face of the German danger, he had to leave his post as a result of a campaign against people of German origin.

Ironically, Winston Churchill was the First Lord at the Admiralty who reluctantly had to let him go because of popular anti-German prejudice.—Reuters, France-Press and United Press.

Labour Group Leaves For Singapore

The British Labour Party delegation led by Mr. Aneurin Bevan left by CPA at 10.10 a.m. today for Singapore.

They will stay in Singapore for two days and make a brief stop over at Rangoon before returning home.

The other members of the group were: Dr. Edith Summerville, Mrs. W. A. Barker, H. E. H. Franklin, Morgan Phillips and Sam Watson.

The party was seen off at the airport by Mr. A. J. Schouten, ADC to H.E. O.A.G., Mr. J. C. C. Walden, of the Colonial Secretariat, Mr. S. S. Knowles, Press Officer, Mr. Ralph Winship, Assistant Director of Civil Aviation and Mr. T. A. Bax, sales manager of CPA.

Knocking Heard From Sunken Tug Man And Boy Believed Trapped In Hull

Cuxhaven, Germany, Sept. 6. Salvage workers tonight reported hearing knocking signals from a tug, three hours after she had sunk off Cuxhaven in a collision with the liner Italia.

The radio operator and the skipper's five-year-old son went down with the tug.

A check of those aboard had shown that the radio operator was missing, though at first it had been thought that all except the boy had managed to jump to safety.

Salvage men said they would try to raise the tug.

They worked feverishly under artificial light to drag the tug into shallow water, where they only saw two boys showing above the surface.

The 1577-ton Italia was tug collided with the liner, was carrying 1,000 passengers and crew.

They turned on her side and began to sink.

The skipper's son had been seen in the lifeboat at quarter past eight.

The tug was carrying 1,000 passengers and crew.



U.S. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles (right) wearing dark suit, walks past the Philippine colour guards with Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs Raul Manglapus (centre) and the Philippine Guard of Honour Commander at a brief review ceremony at Manila International Airport shortly after Mr. Dulles arrived last Friday, for an eight-nation Southeast Asia Security Conference which he called, "one of the most important international conferences of our time."—Associated Press Photo.

REVOLUTIONARY WINGLESS JET PLANE

Britain Takes New Lead In Aircraft Development

London, Sept. 6. New and exciting experiments on a wingless aircraft may well lead to "a revolution in aeronautical development every bit as important as that which has resulted from the introduction of the jet engine," the Minister of Supply, Mr. Duncan Sandys, said yesterday.

A British firm, in conjunction with the Ministry of Supply had produced the experimental wingless plane which could take off vertically from a horizontal position without the aid of wings or motors.

Mr. Sandys said that the "contraption" had a heat problem when it attained the speed of 1,700 miles per hour at an altitude of 40,000 feet. The temperature on the surface of the plane then reaches about 180 degrees Centigrade. This had been discovered in the first test flight of the plane.

"If, therefore, we wish to fly at an appreciably higher speed, we shall have to apply all our ingenuity to design air frames which minimise air resistance," Mr. Sandys said, "and suitable methods of insulation and development of structural materials capable of withstanding much higher temperatures."

TRIED TO IMPROVE

Mr. Sandys said the British had undertaken to improve the American "vertical" take-off planes which take off horizontally.

"From the standpoint of convenience and comfort, this unusual posture has obvious disadvantages."

"For this and other reasons, we in Britain are concentrating rather upon techniques designed to enable aircraft to take off vertically from a normal horizontal position."

The necessary upward lift is provided by downward-facing jet streams, whose direction can be varied to control the angle of climb."

He said that, in collaboration with the Supply Minister, Rolls Royce had built a test vehicle on this principle.

WORLD LEAD

He expected the British aircraft industry to gain a world lead in jet-driven helicopters as it had in jet airliners.

It was readily admitted, he said, that the United States was now ahead of the rest of the world in piston driven helicopter development.

Assam City Doomed By Floods

Thousands Evacuated

Calcutta, Sept. 7. The city of Dibrugarh, one of India's big tea trading centres, was near death last night in the grip of the raging flood waters of the Brahmaputra.

Latest reports said the whole city would disappear "in a matter of hours" unless the Brahmaputra changed course.

The relentless flood swallowed up the city piece by piece as the 50,000 inhabitants fled from the swiftness of the waters.

"The battle for the city, richest in Assam State, and an Allied air base in the second world war, was virtually lost today when almost the entire length of the 1,500-foot wall protecting the business and residential areas was swept away."

DON'T LOSE NERVE

The Prime Minister of India, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, touring the flood-stricken area, told the people of Dibrugarh: "Don't lose your nerve."

He said that he was sure the flood waters would recede and the city would be saved.

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Surprise Verdict On Air Crash Deaths

Shannon Airport, Sept. 6. Gasoline fumes, not drowning, killed 23 of the 28 persons who died in a freak, slow motion disaster when a Dutch airliner crashed in the River Shannon yesterday, the airport's medical officer disclosed today.

"Death was due to inhalation of petrol vapours causing asphyxiation," Dr. Flynn told an official inquiry after he conducted a post-mortem on the bodies.

Dr. Flynn, airport medical officer, who performed a post-mortem examination on the 23 bodies recovered from the wreck, said the entire skin of most of them was reddened as if burned.

There had been no sign of injury to bodies or lungs and no evidence of drowning, he said.

The death of an American woman, who died in hospital after being rescued, was attributed to shock and multiple injuries including a blistered back from petrol burns.

FUEL TANK BURST

Arrangements are being made to fly 20 coffins containing the bodies to Amsterdam tomorrow. From there they will be shipped to their homes.

Dr. Flynn's testimony bore out the reports of the 28 passengers and members of the crew who escaped almost unhurt from the Amsterdam-New York airliner.

They said a "wing tank" had burst, flooding the cabin with fumes.—United Press and Reuters.

German Official Arrested

Wiesbaden, Sept. 6. Dr. Horst Krueger, former West German intelligence official, has been arrested on charges of supplying information about "American" troops to the East German secret service, police here disclosed today.

Krueger was dismissed from the Hessian Office for the protection of the constitution last year after allegations that he had transmitted information to which he had access in the course of his duty to the headquarters of the Social Democratic Party.

No date has been fixed for his trial.—Reuters.

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WRACs See 'Mr Magnetron'



Two WRACs take a close-up interest in "Mr Magnetron," a robot built by men of the Royal Signals. The robot is on show at the Radio-TV Exhibition at Olympia.—Central Press Photo.

DE CASTRIES TO INVESTIGATE

Responsibility For Dien Bien Phu

Saigon, Sept. 6.
Gen. Christian de Castries intends to establish the true responsibilities for the Dien Bien Phu defeat, worst in France's colonial history, intimates reported today.

They said the General, just liberated from four months in a Communist prison camp, would not mince words if given free rein.

The gallant defender of Dien Bien Phu, meanwhile, arrived in Saigon from Hanoi, he had been urgently summoned to report to Gen. Paul Ely, French Far Eastern Commander.

The High Command is counting on the eye-witness accounts of Gen. de Castries and his staff to shed light on French weaknesses in the epic 56-day siege. Military circles said they attached "considerable importance" to their testimony.

NO STATEMENTS
So far the red-capped general, who arrived here this morning by air accompanied by Deputy Indo-China Commander Gen. Rene Cogny, has made no statements to journalists on responsibilities in the Dien Bien Phu disaster.

At the beginning the Viet thought for three days that his men for their valour at was a false de Castries, and

that the real one had been able to get away. After they found out they had the right one, they kept me under very close guard and in various hide-aways," he said.

"But at least I did get 1,000 grams of rice a day—more than their own men, who got only 1200 grams."

GUARDS' FEAR
"My guards had only one fear: that I'd slip between their fingers. I had seriously thought of escaping but I caught dysentery twice and was too weak."

He said he was not subjected to any Communist propaganda or brainwashing attempts.

Gen. de Castries said he did not know how long he would stay in Indo-China. But he counts on being able personally to distribute medals to some of the men for their valour at Dien Bien Phu.—United Press.

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Polish Sailors Being Turned Into Militarists

By A Reuter Correspondent

Stockholm, Sept. 7.
A new drive to turn Poland's merchant sailors into militarists and atheists has been started by her Communist government.

Details were given me by Mr Edward Tondel, a young Polish merchant navy officer who jumped his ship, Elblag, while she lay in Gothenburg bound for Oslo from Gdynia.

Mr Tondel had successfully completed the five years officers' training course at Stettin and Gdynia. He had been appointed leader of the school's "League of Polish Youth," the Communist party's youth organisation, and assigned to special propaganda duties on land and at sea.

Sickening of them, he chose political asylum in Sweden.

Four hours a week of the training at the sea school is devoted to the theory of weapons, although it turns out only merchant officers for the "Polish ocean line," engaged in trans-oceanic traffic, for the Polish-Chinese line, owned jointly by the Polish and Chinese states and plying to the Far East, and for the P.M.H. lines which carry cargoes between Poland and the Baltic and North Sea ports.

One whole day a week, usually a Wednesday, is devoted to practical training in military subjects. The future merchant officers are taught how to use weapons ranging from revolvers and machineguns to depth charges.

SECRET POLICE
Trainees best at this subject and at ideology are regularly offered special posts inside the U. B., the secret police. They are placed on spies in the merchant marine to inform on sailors suspected of political unreliability. They are trained in a special school.

Mr Tondel, after his appointment as ideological leader of the sea school's "League of Polish Youth" was asked to recommend the 15 sea school men who were to be drafted into the U. B. this year. Some of them were reluctant to accept, but none dared to refuse.

A large part of the teaching time is spent in ideology. Here, the future officers are told that the ultimate aim of the state is to root out religion.

One pupil asked Mr Mikolajski, one of the lecturers on ideology, why the Government protected the "patriotic Catholic priests" while young Poles were urged to combat religion.

Mr Mikolajski replied: "First, we must fight the oppositional elements among the priesthood. The turn of the patriotic priests will come later."

Officially, the pupils were allowed to go to church, but the sea school always holds "voluntary courses" in ideology.

Finally, choosing church before Communism are in this way singled out and generally expelled from the school before the end of the five years course.

The intensified anti-religious propaganda is often childish, Mr Tondel said.

A regulation has been issued limiting the sizes of crucifixes which may be hung up in the school to 15 centimetres. A 30-centimetre high cross in the workshop and large ones in the

school's hospital have been taken down.

At the same time, Mr Tondel, as Polish Youth Leader, was ordered to collect from the students any crosses or religious medals which they might be wearing. After he had done so, the cooks in the kitchen boycotted him and refused to give him second helpings at mealtimes. Many pupils told him that their medals were not religious but tokens from their fiancées.

"It was that kind of persecution which finally sickened me of the regime," he added.

About the same time a loud speaker was fitted up outside the school near a Catholic church. As Poles went to Mass, the propaganda courses going on at the same time in the sea school were broadcast through the speaker.

POLITICAL POWER
One consequence of the increased anti-religious drive is the transfer of political power from older men to young Poles in their teens and early twenties.

Mr Tondel found that he and other Youth League leaders were sent out into the Baltic fishing villages to make propaganda among the inhabitants. Officially, they were auditing the accounts of the local branches of the Youth League.

In a similar capacity, they were sent on board ships berthing in the Baltic ports and asked to investigate conflicts between the older seamen and the younger members of the crews, organised into the Youth League.

Early this year, Mr Tondel was told that in future Youth Leaders would check the work of the Politbure, the political officers placed on board each ship to watch the ideology of the crews. The politbure, it was explained, had been too arrogant and brutal towards the crews. They should adopt a more fatherly attitude, Mr Tondel was told.

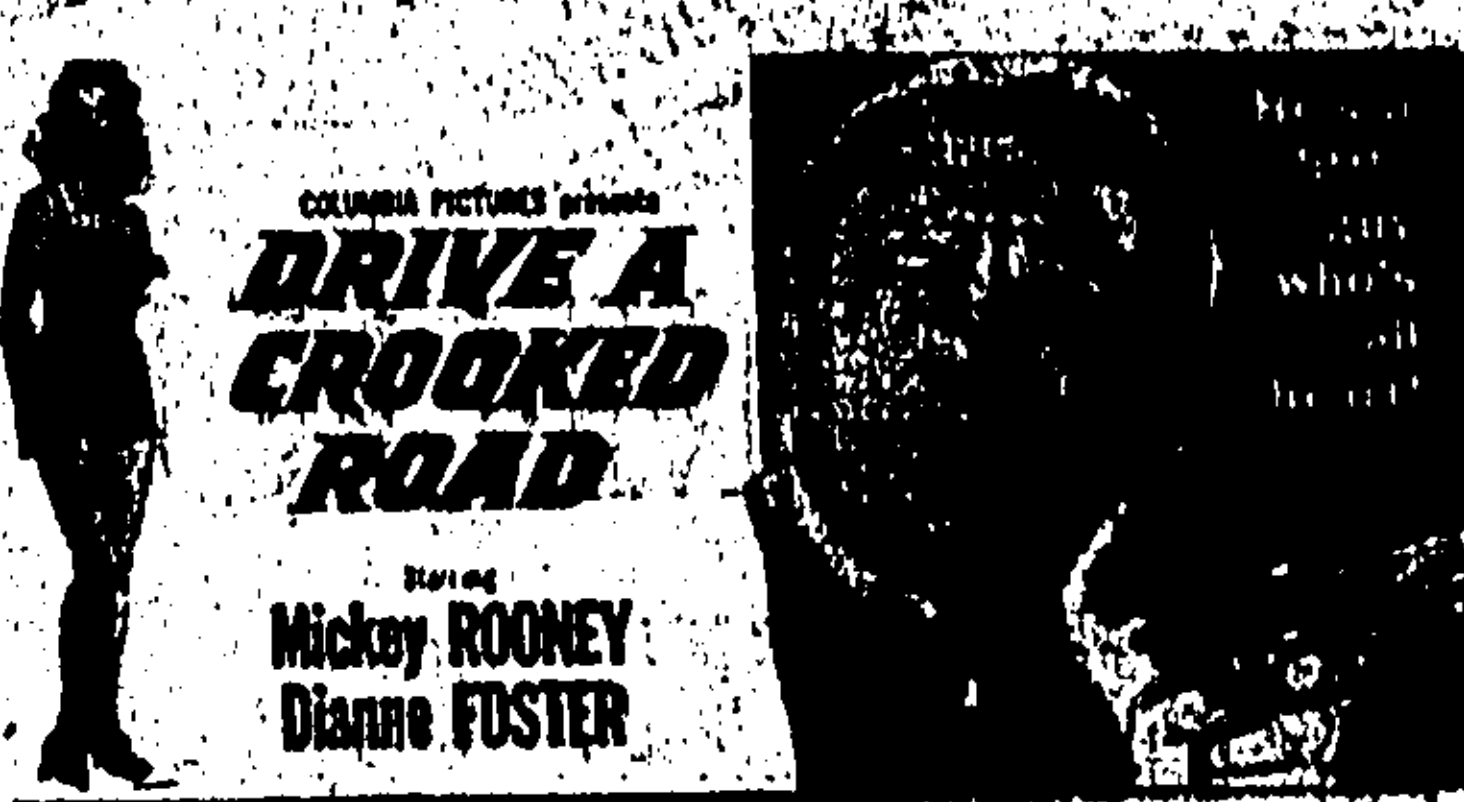
He was, therefore, set to single out the good politbure from the bad. He checked two or three ships every day and wrote a twelve-page report on each.

Later, while serving at sea, he was able to see how many politbure had worked off personal grievances against seamen by writing bad reports on them.

The general view in Stockholm is that the cause of the new anti-religious and militarist drive among Polish seamen is an attempt to reduce the number escaping to the Western world. The effect, it is thought here, may be to increase the flow.—Reuter.

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WESTERN DEFENCES

U.S. Labour Leaders Alarmed

Washington, Sept. 6. Vice-President Al J. Hayes of the American Federation of Labour (AFL) said in a Labour Day radio address today that "the Allies cannot afford to fall apart now."

"This is not the time for us, with our superior strength and resources, to act like we are around," he said.

"It is a mutual aid proposition. We have become inter-related and in many ways inter-dependent that any major change in direction of one country affects or influences conditions in other countries. No nation in today's world can maintain itself by isolation from the rest of the world."

He said leaders of the American labour movement have been "alarmed and disappointed" at current world trends, particularly in Europe, and that "the attitude reflected in the current United States foreign policy which accompanies American aid appears to be alienating more and more of our allies."

He said today the United States' stockpile of goodwill is "being eaten away" and must be restored.—United Press.

End Racial Discrimination Appeal By Ike

Washington, Sept. 6. President Eisenhower and Vice-President Nixon appealed to the nation's business and labour union leaders today for more help in the administration's programme for ending employment discrimination among whites and Negroes.

Under the auspices of the President's Committee on Government Contracts, nearly 500,000 pamphlets, discussing the problem, were being distributed throughout the country. Two points were being emphasized.

1. The growing industrial might of this country requires the largest possible reserve of skilled manpower.

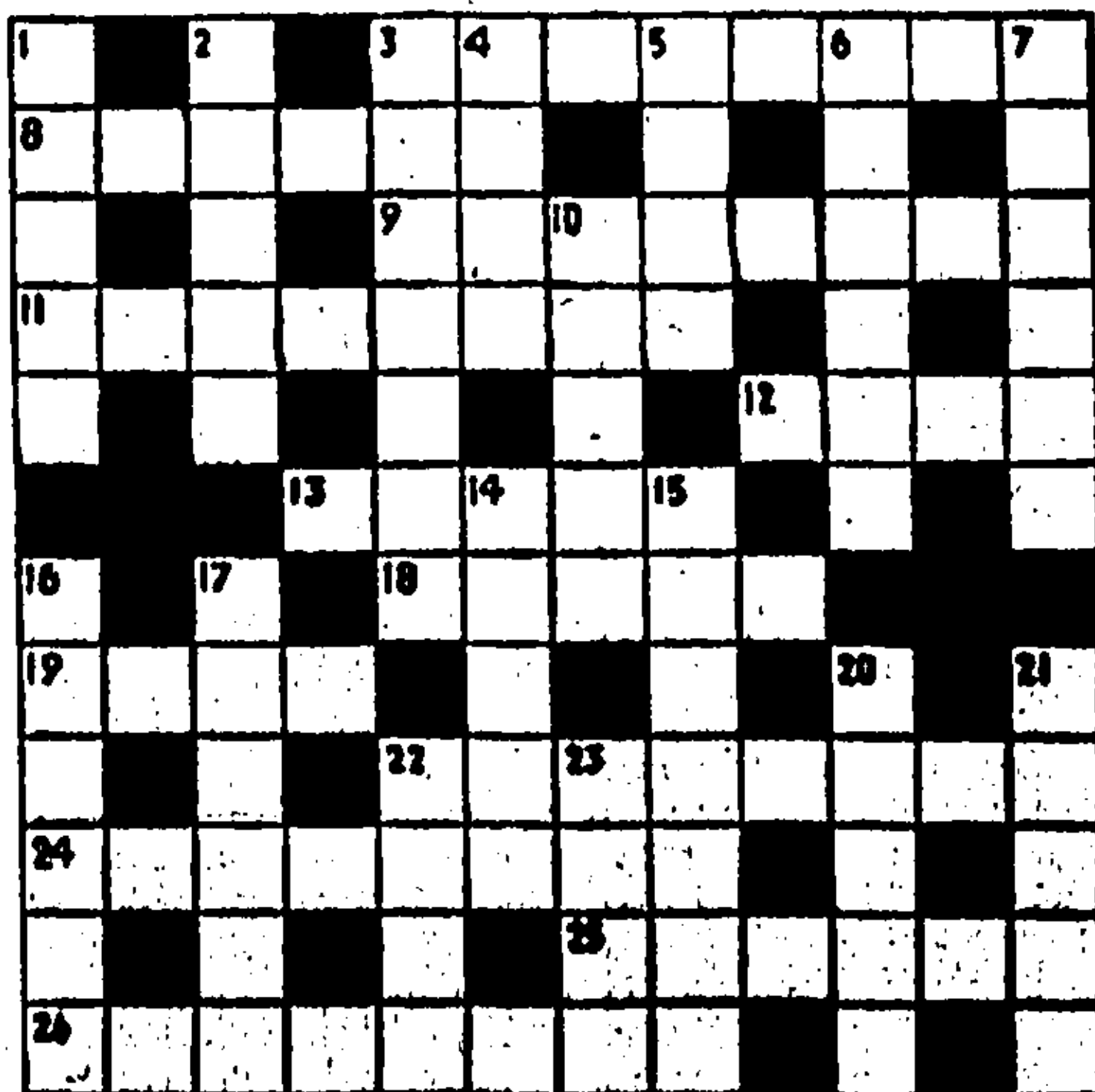
2. In the world struggle for the minds of men America's position of leadership makes it mandatory that we not be subject to the charge of racial prejudice which is being hurled at us every day by the Communists.

—Reuter.

Paris, Sept. 6. M. Pierre Mendes-France, will preside at the regular weekly meeting of the North Atlantic Council on Thursday, a NATO spokesman announced here today.

The Premier, who is also Foreign Minister, succeeded M. Georges Bidault as Chairman of the Permanent Council for the year ending September 15.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3 Friendly (8).
6 Scrape (8).
9 Saturated (8).
11 Deeply respectful (8).
12 Cooker (4).
13 Take without right (8).
15 Fashion (9).
16 Peruse (4).
22 Stayed (8).
24 Criticized severely (8).
25 Place of worship (6).
26 Left high and dry (6).

DOWN

1 Child (5).
2 Valiant (5).
3 Speech (7).
4 Lake (4).
5 Tilt (4).
6 Not properly (6).
7 Punishing (6).
10 Way in (8).
14 Express (8).
15 Begged (7).
16 Religious pamphlets (8).
17 Flag (6).
20 Bird (5).
21 Leaflet (5).
22 Deviation (4).
23 Measure out (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across 3 Girdled, 7 Lateral, 8 Advanced, 10 Solids, 11 Prolonged, 12 United, 13 Covered, 14 Anchor, 15 Barrier, 16 Sledge, 17 Princess, 18 Armed, 19 Dismantled, 20 Distant, 21 Clasp, 22 Sledge, 23 Grace, 24 Good, 25 Ordinal, 26 Billed, 27 Deduct, 28 Orphan, 29 Acorn, 30 Sledge, 31 Place, 32 Level, 33 Carpet, 34 Slender, 35 Barren, 36 Distant, 37 Reply, 38 Best.

Mongrel's Name Cleared

London, Sept. 6. The honour of a three-year-old mongrel dog was cleared in court here.

The blame for stealing a four-and-a-half pound steak—about the same size as the dog—from a butcher's stall belonged to his mistress, a trim, 27-year-old model, the magistrate decided.

Exhibit A—the steak—was removed from court. "I understand it is beginning to smell," the magistrate said.

After hearing Mrs. Joan Elizabeth Henrich, John, a dog, was taken to the park, the magistrate said: "I don't believe her story, and I am perfectly certain she stole it."

The woman was fined the price of the steak, £1 sterling 11 shillings and six pence, plus five guineas court costs.—China Mail Special.

America Not Safe From Communism

Albuquerque, New Mexico, Sept. 6. Francis Cardinal Spellman today warned his countrymen against accepting a Soviet "threat" peace.

In a speech delivered before a meeting here the Archbishop of New York called upon his countrymen to "awaken to the truth that America is no safer from mastery by Communism than was any European country where we witnessed the killing and enslavement of whole peoples by the Communists who by the shedding of blood became as it drunken with it."

Cardinal Spellman further added that Americans must "in unity stand sentinel against the potent, fast-growing, imminent dangers of faithless Communists and Communist sympathizers who are using their freedom to destroy our freedom."—France-Press.

NEW AIR RECORD

Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 6. Captain Eugene P. Sonnenberg, a United Air Force pilot, set a new record of 992.823 miles per hour for the 1,000-kilometre (620 miles) Thomson Trophy event here today.

Captain Sonnenberg, 34, set the record in a F-86-H Sabrejet last Friday, it was announced today at the International Aircraft show at nearby Cox Municipal Airport.

Last year's record of 931.1 miles per hour was set by Brigadier-General J. Stanley Holtner in a F-86-D Sabrejet.—Reuter.

Britain And Germany Fail To Reach Final Agreement

SCOPE OF PROPOSED NINE-POWER TALKS

London, Sept. 6. Western Germany and Great Britain failed to reach final agreement tonight on the form and scope of a British-proposed nine-power conference on Western defence next week.

France and Italy both agreed, but West Germany and Britain failed to reach final agreement on the timing and scope of the meeting.

The sudden snag came as the Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, took over personal command of Britain's big diplomatic push to find a speedy alternative to the European Army.

Informed diplomatic sources said the 70-year-old Prime Minister postponed tentative Riviera vacation plans. They said he considered the next few weeks the most critical for the Atlantic alliance since World War II.

The British High Commissioner, Sir Frederick Hoyer-Millar, met the West German Foreign Affairs Secretary, Walter Hallstein, in a rush meeting on the British proposal while Chancellor Konrad Adenauer was still en route back to Bonn from vacation.

"No final decisions were arrived at as to the form and scope of the conference, which was suggested by Britain," said a German spokesman afterwards.

EARLY DATE

Germany was believed objecting mainly to holding the meeting as early as September 14—the date suggested by Britain. Government officials said the conference would have to be prepared in detail. Britain is awaiting the final German view before issuing the final observations and setting the date.

In Paris the British Ambassador, Sir Gladwyn Jebb, delivered the British bid directly to Premier Pierre Mendes-France and informed sources said M. Mendes-France accepted. At the same time, the French Premier expressed the hope that whenever it is held Canada will take part as the ninth power.

In Rome, Italy also approved the British suggestion for the conference.

An anti-German mood prevailing in some parts of Paris was characterized by the posting of warning posters on the walls of Paris today. Under the signature of General von Stuepnagel, the German military governor of Paris during the occupation, it announced the shooting of 50 French hostages in Nantes by the German army.

It originally appeared on October 23, 1941 with the offer of 15,000,000 francs award to any one helping to trace the "murderer" of a German officer.

Below today's reprint in German and French were the words "Reproduction destined to serve the cause for which the heroes of French independence fell."—United Press and Reuter.

GUARANTEES WANTED

Brussels, Sept. 6. M. Paul Henri Spaak, Belgian Foreign Minister, said here tonight that the alternative to the European Defence Community would be Germany's rearmament within the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

INDONESIA

Djakarta, Sept. 6. Indonesian officials will make an on-the-spot investigation into reports of Indonesian infiltration into the Philippines, it was reported today.

News reports from Macassar, capital of the Celebes, said that a fact-finding mission soon would leave there for the boundary region between the Sangir Talaud Islands and the southern islands of the Philippines.

The Indonesian Government had been angered by Manila newspaper charges that the infiltration is Communist-inspired.—United Press.

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Taking No Chances



The Rhumba And Samba, Now La Tombrá

London, Sept. 6. British dancers are talking about a new dance just introduced to London—La Tombrá.

Some competent judges predict this tropical dance—devised by the Italian dancer Signora Fanny Pichetti—will achieve the fame of the Rhumba and the Samba.

Signora Pichetti and an Italian partner demonstrated La Tombrá before 500 teachers of dancing in London's Victoria Hall.

Mr. Frederick Barlow, Secretary of the National Association of Teachers of Dancing, said later: "Six minutes after her demonstration, everyone was dancing La Tombrá. It's as easy as that."

Mr. Barlow said the dance was ideal for small, crowded dance floors. It was very simple and a "curse for wallflowers."

He added that La Tombrá was danced to a new tempo, in three eight time, with short, smooth steps.

Mr. Barlow declared: "There are only three basic movements with no variations. It is based something on the Rhumba style."—China Mail Special.

Bullfighter Critical

Del Rio, Texas, Sept. 6. Blonde Patricia McCormick, one of the two lady bullfighters in North America, was in critical condition today after being gored in the pelvis yesterday.

She made a mistake yesterday while side-stepping a charging bull in the ring in Ciudad Acuna, Mexico, just across the Rio Grande from Del Rio.

One of the bull's horns snatched into her pelvis and she was rushed to Del Rio Hospital, bleeding badly. Dr. T. M. Johnson performed an emergency operation.

He would not go into detail about her injuries but said she was in critical condition and would be for the next 48 hours.—United Press.

Portuguese Reply To Indian Note

New Delhi, Sept. 6. Dr. Vasco Garin, Portuguese Minister in New Delhi, had a 90-minute meeting tonight with the Secretary-General of the Indian External Affairs Ministry, Mr. Narayana Raghavan Pillai.

He was believed to have handed over Portugal's reply to an Indian note of last Thursday which agreed to open talks tomorrow on the appointment of neutral observers to study the situation on the border between India and Portuguese territories.

In reply, the Indian note said: "All matters relevant to the agreed principle should be kept for discussion."

India and Portugal have exchanged a series of notes since the appointment of neutral observers was first suggested last July. India had asked Portugal to study the border situation between the two countries.

Schmidt-Wittmack To Accept Foreign Affairs Post

Stockholm, Sept. 6. Former West German Parliamentary Deputy Karl Franz Schmidt-Wittmack, who defected to the Soviet Zone of Germany in August, told a Swedish newspaper today that he would soon accept a post with the East German Department for Foreign Affairs.

In an interview with the Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm afternoon newspaper "Expressen," Schmidt-Wittmack said he would deal with problems of East-West trade.

The interview was granted in Leipzig, East Germany, where the yearly industrial fair is now in progress.

"I left West Germany because I wanted to be heard," Schmidt-Wittmack was quoted as saying.

"West Germany is no nation of justice," he claimed.

FAVoured EDC

Schmidt-Wittmack, who was a member of Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's Christian Democratic Party and the Parliamentary EDC Committee, said, "I used to favour the European Defence Community, but after the Geneva conference I understood there were other possibilities than Adenauer policies."

"West Germany is about to take a disastrous step. That is why I acted as I did. In Bonn, they had taken my job with the defence and all German (Parliamentary) Committees and tried to throw me out of the CDU Party."

EXPULSED

(Schmidt-Wittmack was read out of the Christian Democratic Party after his defection to the East. The CDU group last Saturday formally moved to expel him from the Bundestag (Lower House) which convenes next week on September 14).

"But I wanted to be heard now that new ways must be found to create an alternative to the dead army," Schmidt-Wittmack was quoted as saying.

The worst about Bonn is that the high herren cannot tolerate opinions other than their own. Adenauer has advisers who are not even in Parliament. He went to the Brussels conference without consulting the Parliament committees."—United Press.

Embassy Door Burned In Teheran

Teheran, Sept. 6. The door of the British Embassy in Teheran was burned last night, but whether deliberately or as the result of an accident has not yet been established.

The local Press quotes the head of the Teheran Fire Brigade as saying that there is a kitchen near the door and the accident theory cannot be excluded.

The building is in a large park in the centre of the city occupied by the British mission. It faces the Soviet Embassy.

If the incident is due to ill will, it is the first of its kind since the British returned to Iran.—France-Press.

Muddy Stage For Play

The girls come from all walks of life. Among them are debutantes, school teachers, farm girls, college students and radio and television performers.

Their composite measurements are: Height 5 ft. 6 1/2 in.; Weight 125 pounds; Bust 35 in.; Waist 23 1/2 in.; Hips 35 1/2 in.; Age 20. Brown hair and blue eyes predominant.—United Press.

Royal Tour

Fredericton, New Brunswick, Sept. 6. The Duchess of Kent and Princess Alexandra were greeted by half of Fredericton's population of 10,000 on their arrival today from St. John's for a brief visit.

The Royal visitors stepped out of their special train in perfect weather. A Royal Canadian Air Force band played as the Duchess reviewed a guard of honour of 100 men of the 4th Royal Canadian Horse Artillery.

Cheering crowds lined Fredericton streets as the Duchess and her 17-year-old daughter travelled to various engagements in an open car.

The Royal party leave by train for Montreal tomorrow morning, stopping for 30 minutes at Newswick, New Brunswick.—China Mail Special.

Levitsky Now A Free Agent

Moscow, Sept. 6. Nicolas Levitsky, 25-year-old statesman, today stepped ashore here from the French liner, Bretagne, as a free agent for the first time in more than a year.

Levitsky, born in Shanghai, son of an emigre Russian father and an English mother, has made eight round trips over the Atlantic since he boarded the Bretagne last August.

He has been granted a visa to enter the Dominican Republic following a special appeal by the United Nations High Commission for Refugees.

He has had only one week ashore—a period of "parole" in Argentina in July—once the Argentine Government cancelled his visa while he was en route there in August 1953. The Argentine said he was "undesirable" as an immigrant.—Reuter.

SEIXAS AND DORIS HART WIN THE SINGLES TITLES AT FOREST HILLS

Forest Hills, New York, Sept. 6

Smooth-stroking Vic Seixas and hard-luck Miss Doris Hart today won the men's and women's singles titles in the U.S. Amateur Tennis Championships.

Seixas, a 31-year-old Philadelphian playing in the Nationals for the 14th time and in the finals for the second straight year, battled back to defeat Australian Rex Hartwig, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.

And Miss Hart reached the end of the tennis rainbow when, after five previous heart-breaking trips to the finals, she finally proved her class and her courage by fighting off three match points to defeat Miss Louise Brough of Beverly Hills, California, 6-1, 6-8, 8-6.

The crafty Seixas, producing a powerful all-court game, surprised a capacity crowd of 14,000 packed into the concrete

horseshoe stadium surrounding the famed Centre Court with the ease of his conquest. Vic's seamstress cost him the first set against the 23-year-old Hartwig, Number Three man of Australia's powerful Davis Cup forces. For it was his error which broke his service in the fifth game and the blond Rex, given a lift, smashed through again in the next game on volley placements.

Seixas settled down in the second set and held service throughout, meanwhile breaking twice. He cracked through in the second game as Hartwig volleyed out twice, and then double-faulted twice. Seixas broke in the seventh game too on a volley placement, two backhand passing shots and a netted volley to square it up.

They were all over the court as Seixas lost service to open the third set. Hartwig riared up for two volley placements, Vic double-faulted and then netted a volley. But Seixas broke right back with two volley placements. They held then until Seixas broke through in the ninth game. Seixas volleyed, marked the fourth—and final—set as Seixas cracked through in the first game with placements at the net. But Hartwig went into a 4-2 lead by outvolleying Seixas briefly to crack through in the fourth and sixth games. Then Seixas regained his touch and ran off four straight games, smashing through twice as they squarred off face to face at the barrier.

POPULAR TRIUMPHS

It was a popular triumph, as was that of Miss Hart, a gangling girl from Coral Gables, Florida, who three times fought off defeat with the gameness which carried her through a near-tragic childhood. Beaten in the finals five times, the last two seasons by the now injured Maureen (Little Mo) Connolly, the blonde Florida appeared headed for another bitter defeat after dropping the first set to Miss Brough, who had won the crown in 1947 and thrice won at Wimbledon since then. But Miss Brough faded under the sun in the second set and Doris, who once feared she'd never walk again after a childhood accident, held on grimly to crown with a dramatic stand in the final set.

In the 10th game, Miss Brough led 5-4 and had a match point before lapsing into errors. Then in the 12th game, Louise sent in a perfect drop shot for advantage and another match point, but Doris reduced the game again when Miss Brough hit into the net. Later in the same game Doris double-faulted to give Miss Brough another match point but Miss Brough again netted a backhand to deuce the game. Louise hit two bad shots thereafter and Miss Hart evened the set at 6-6.

In the 13th game, Miss Hart took a 7-4 lead by scoring the

only service break of the set, winning the last three points by hammering Miss Brough's backhand hard enough to force errors. Doris then held service with the loss of only one point to close out the match.

Miss Brough, who moved out to a 3-1 lead in the first set and then lost it, finally scored the key service break in the 13th game to lead 7-6. Miss Hart, who won only one point in that game, double-faulted on the final point. Miss Brough held service in the next game when, after 30-all, Miss Hart netted a half-volley on the backhand and weakly popped a forehand volley into the net.

Early in the second set, Miss Brough seemed to wilt in the intense heat and after she dropped her service to give Miss Hart a 2-0 lead she played listlessly and appeared anxious to have the set over with so she could recuperate in the usual intermission period.

Miss Brough was much refreshed after the rest but Miss Hart retained her second set touch and refused to allow her service to be broken.

GRAND SLAM Miss Hart and Seixas completed a grand slam of the United States Championships when they teamed to win the mixed doubles from Mrs. Margaret Osborne Du Pont of Wilmington, Delaware, and Australian Ken Rosewall, 4-6, 6-1, 6-1.

Hart previously won the women's doubles with Miss Shirley Fry of Akron, Ohio, and Seixas the men's doubles with Tony Trabert of Cincinnati, Ohio.—United Press.

Trueman Causes A Pakistan Collapse

Hastings, Sept. 6

A devastating spell of fast bowling by Freddie Trueman caused a Pakistan collapse against an England XI on the second day of a Festival match here.

Pakistan, 218 for five at tea, lost their remaining wickets in half an hour for the addition of only 18 runs. Trueman claimed four for eight in this period and took a splendid catch to dismiss Kam Wazir off Leander. His final figures were five for 57.

The tourists thus had a lead of 52—much less than at one time seemed likely—which was whittled down to 21 by the close, when England in their second innings had scored 31 for one.

Only four deliveries in the morning were necessary to end the England first innings for 162. Neville Rogers of Hampshire, undefeated over the week-end with 98, carried his bat for 101.

Fast-medium bowler Mahmood Hussain recorded his best figures of the tour with seven for 81. Waqar Hussain (79) and Imtiaz Ahmed, (78) batted ineffectively to add 143 in two and three quarter hours for the Pakistan second wicket.

OTHER MATCHES

London, Sept. 6. Rain largely curtailed play in the Festival matches at Scarborough and Torquay today. At Scarborough, play was confined to a total of one hour, made up of two spells and in that time the Gentlemen lost two more wickets for the addition of 22 runs and so finished 238 behind the Players' first innings score with seven wickets intact.

Play could not begin at Torquay until shortly after three o'clock. Features of the day's play were a fine hundred, including 14 runs, by Australian Jack Livingston and some big hitting by Frank Tyson, chosen to tour Australia primarily for his fast bowling.

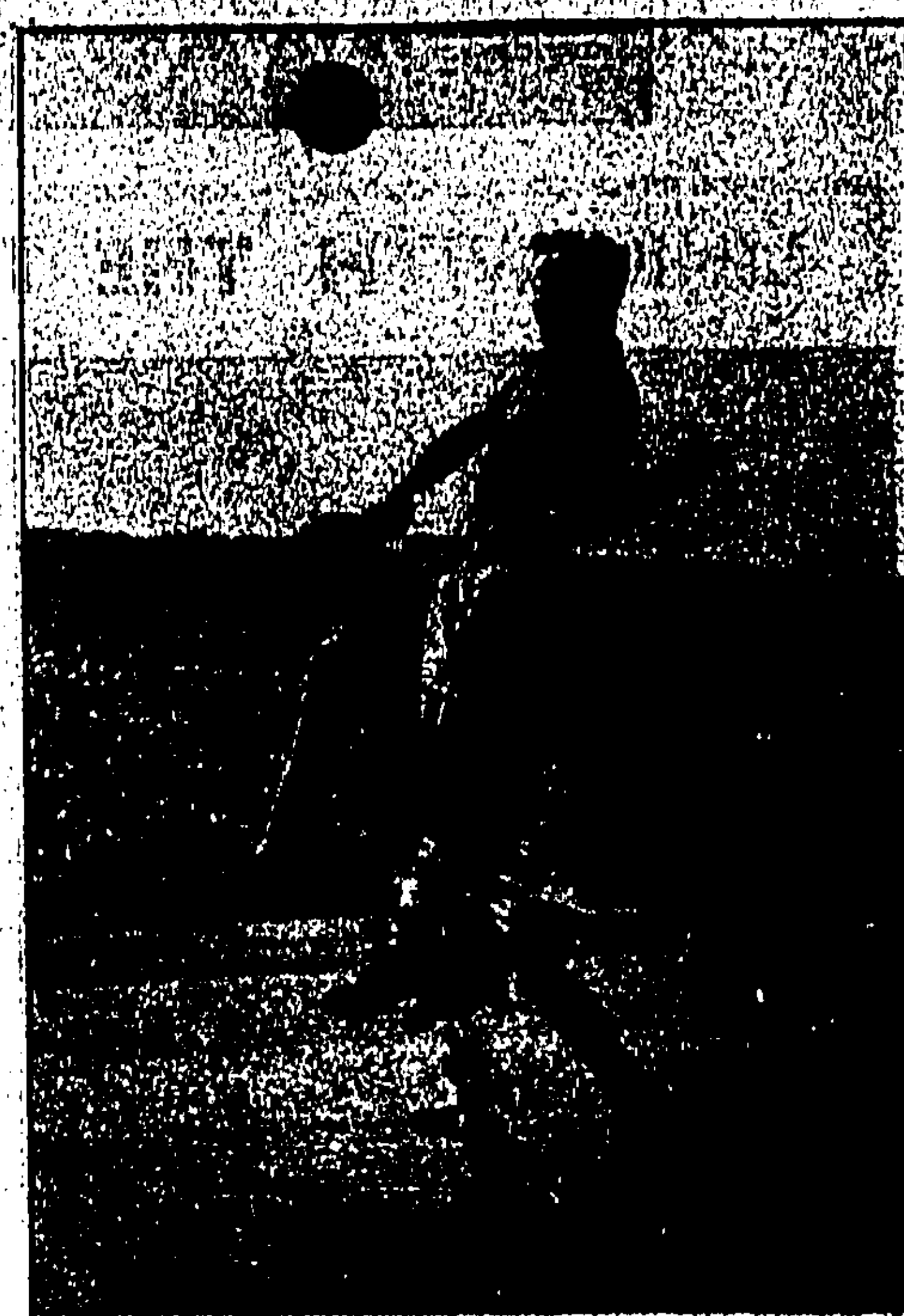
One terrific pull by Tyson landed in the local station-master's garden after clearing two roads.

At the close, North were 187 behind, with five wickets in hand.—Reuter.

Army Hockey Trials Tomorrow

The second Hockey Trials for the Army will be held at Soukhopoo tomorrow, afternoon commencing at 2 p.m. The trials will be held at the Soukhopoo ground, which is situated on the bank of the river, and will be held in the presence of the Army officers.

JUST BEAT HIM



With this straight-up jump, Roy Bentley, Chelsea's centre-forward, and captain, just beats Bolton Wanderers' goalie Mannon to the ball. Picture was taken during the First Division match at Stamford Bridge, London.—Reuterphoto.

OPEN BARGAINING?

SILENCE AT HKFA COUNCIL MEETING

A challenge to the Council Members present to deny the fact that there was open bargaining for the services of Hongkong football players for the coming season's play by local clubs, went unanswered at the Hongkong Football Association Council Meeting yesterday.

Mr. L. Channing defied the Council members present, especially the Chinese, to deny knowledge of the tempting offers made to various players since the return of the touring team from Southeast Asia, and in support of his challenge, quoted the cartoons depicting these offers which have recently appeared in the Chinese Press.

This, he stated, was a reflection on the HKFA and on the Chinese members of the Council individually and collectively and he requested the Chairman to tell the meeting what the Association was going to do about it.

ABOLISH AMATEURS

He added that a solution was to abolish the local amateur league, and start a professional league, plans of which have been prepared and ready for immediate action of the touring team from Southeast Asia, and in support of his challenge, quoted the cartoons depicting these offers which have recently appeared in the Chinese Press.

Opening with the unanimous adoption of a proposal to send a letter of condolence to the family of the late Mr. Aw Boon Haw, patron of Sing Tao FC, the items discussed included a special resolution passed to the effect that the HKFA Secretary will, at the discretion of the Council, in future accompany the Colony's teams on all tours overseas in order to relieve the team captain and manager of the financial duties involved.

A heated discussion over a proposal to discontinue the issuance of complimentary tickets to players and officials, was eventually defeated on a vote. During this discussion a member stated that pre-war no passes were issued, and players desiring to attend any match had to make his own arrangements to see the game. Another member retorted that in those days players were not paid \$390 per month to play football as they are today.

Application of Talkoo and Western for a transfer into Division II B was refused, RAMC and Little Sai Wan were admitted into Division II "B" and the application of Kwong Lok Motor Bus to Division III was accepted.

CLUB GROUND READY

The Hongkong Football Club representative informed the Meeting that the Club Ground would be available for use for the Stanley Shield Competition from today, providing the two uncompleted end stands were not used.

The approaching visit by the soccer team from Malaysia for the Ho Ho Cup revealed the fact that apart from the match of main importance, — Hongkong Chinese v. Malayan Chinese, — on the first day for the above Cup — October 2 — two other matches were arranged.

There would take place on October 3, and 5 respectively. The one on October 3 would be a Malaya team against a Hongkong Representative XI which would be made up of players who will represent the Colony in future international matches such as the Olympics and Asian Games etc. The second, on October 5, was the Malaya team v. All Hongkong.

The inefficiency of junior league referees was stressed and a proposal that the HKFA be left to handle the matter was passed.

The meeting closed with the proposal that the election of the two Colony teams be made by the Interpart Selection Committee, who would publish this at a later date.

Referees' Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees Association is to be held at the Jockey Club on Tuesday, Sept. 14, at 7.30 p.m.

Better Football Already —But Slow Handclaps Are Doing No Good

Says TOM FINNEY

It shouldn't come from a player, perhaps, but I'm bold enough this week to suggest that football IS better this season—already. The tremendous effort almost everywhere, that's gone into combining the best of the new ideas with the best of the old is beginning already to produce results.

I feel that Preston are certainly a better team, and playing better football than before; and experienced judges of the game have been telling me about the exhilarating displays of the Wolves, Manchester United, Everton, Birmingham City, Fulham and other teams in all divisions. I can speak of Everton from first-hand experience. They bent us by a goal to nil at Goodison Park.

But let me put in another warning to the Soccer fan about slow handclapping, a form of barracking that seems to be spreading like wildfire — Mr. Jimmy Seed, the Charlton manager, has already called it a "disease".

I say that if supporters are going to give the slow handclap because their team are losing, they will be doing a great disservice to the game and destroy overnight the incentive to play attractive football. Back to the win-at-all-costs idea that can so easily be part and parcel of promotion and relegation.

One of the plagues of the modern game, through every grade, has been the absolute need to get the ball rapidly to the other end of the field. A long job by the full-back on to the opposing side's penalty line, followed by a blunderbuss dash by the centre — forward and thump — a blazing shot on the run. Wonderful? No. Sometimes these tactics with matches end in a goal, but more often a spectacular goal as a result, but we shall never get back to the top of the world on that path.

If you've seen the Hungarians in person or on TV you will have seen how often the ball is actually passed back to Hedges, the centre-forward, as a preliminary to prising open the other side's defence with a long pass forward.

So, slow handclappers, be patient for victory and look for good football.

Watch the Wolves. They told their exhibition against the Spurs was right on the top flight. They're a real team, with every man trying to use the ball to the fullest advantage, and much of their strength this season as last, is in the fact that they have such a wealth of talent in the reserves.

Watch Everton's half-back line — Peter Farrell, Tommy Jones and Cyril Lello. They're a thorn in the flesh of any forward-line but note the way they play the men in front of them with the right kind of passes.

Watch Manchester United, whose youngsters may be the surprise of the season. Watch their inside-forwards, Dennis Viollet, Colin Webster and Jackie Blanchflower, in particular.

At the first opportunity I shall watch Fulham, whose goal-hungry forward-line may take them galloping through the Second Division, this season. Johnny Haynes, according to some judges, may develop into the season's outstanding inside-forward.

Everton's immediate success in the First Division can be a match for most of the teams in a higher Division. Their success is also a tribute to Cliff Britton, who put a five-year plan into operation when he took over at Goodison Park as manager from Burnley.

DON'T BE EMPIRICAL Another thing for slow handclappers to remember: when you are looking for good football the most difficult time in the life

of any club is a period of transition — when a team is being rebuilt. Not even Manchester United were able to rebuild their team and be completely successful at the same time.

The difficulties of transition are increased a hundredfold, of course, when the team becomes caught in the net of relegation. Middlebrough had that experience. Now they have made an unhappy start in the Second Division and I know that, if I were a Middlebrough player, I should hope, at the moment, for the maximum encouragement and the minimum of criticism from the terraces.

They have lost Wilf Mannion, as fine an inside-forward as I have ever played with. You need time to bridge a gap that must occur in any team that loses a schemer of Mannion's quality. Inside-forwards, like wing-half-backs, are key-men in a team.

But Middlebrough has always been a home of good football and, if the new manager, Bob Denson, is able to find a settled combination they may yet play a part in the promotion race which, this season, promises to provide us with an even bigger field of runners than usual.

From all I have seen and played against in international football this past twelve months I am more certain than ever not only that the public want to

watch on-the-ground, attractive football but that good football will pay rich dividends in trophies and championships. This season will prove it.

COACHING HINT

In practice or in actual play, for maximum control of the ball keep your body over it. By leaning over the ball a player forms a protective curtain which keeps it in his possession as far as anything can; this action ensures that the ball is close enough to his feet for accurate control and distribution and gives him a strong chance of resisting a tackle.

St. Leger Callover

London, Sept. 6

Odds offered against the 10 colts left in next Saturday's St. Leger at the end of tonight's callover session at the Victoria Club here were:

9 to 2 Never Say Die.
5 to 1 By Thunder.
13 to 2 Blue Sail.
100 to 9 Arcady.
100 to 8 Arablan Night.
100 to 7 Double Bore and Umberto.
22 to 1 Rashleigh and Element.
25 to 1 Amber II.
28 to 1 Estremadur.
33 to 1 Alphenhorn, Prescription and Entente Cordiale.
40 to 1 Phenomenal, Tarjoman and Blue Prince II.
100 to 1 Nicholas Nickleby.
200 to 1 Icarian.

Never Say Die, who had an impressive final gallop at Yarmouth Race Course on Saturday, remained as favourite at tonight's session. Although there had been marked opposition to the Derby winner at previous callovers, it was impossible to obtain more than 9 to 2 about him.

Betting was light and no candidate was supported to win any substantial amount. By Thunder who shared favouritism with Never Say Die, stayed at 5 to 1 but the Irish colt, Blue Sail, eased fractionally to 13 to 2.

Arablan Night, who was second in the Derby, hardened from 100 to 7 to 100 to 8 while among the long shots, Blue Prince II, another American owned runner, came in to 40 to 1 from previous offers of 80 to 1. The next callover will be Wednesday, September 8.

PROBABLE STARTERS

Nineteen probable starters and jockeys for the St. Leger, last British classic race of the year, to be run over one mile, six furlongs and 132 yards at 1415 GMT at Doncaster next Saturday, September 11, are: Carlan (no jockey) yeti, Alphenhorn (A. Brestley), Estremadur (E. Mercer), Arcady (J. Doyanov), Umberto (K. Gethin), Never Say Die (C. Semirke), Entente Cordiale (D. Smith), Arablan Night (E. Smith), Nicholas Nickleby (M. Beany), By Thunder (W. Snialth), Blue Sail (J. Longden or W. Rieksby), Phenomenal (E. Britt), Blue Prince II (W. Carr), Tarjoman (R. Pollock), Prescription (W. Rieksby or A. N. O'Brien), Elopement (W. Johnston), Rashleigh (W. Novell), Double Bore (C. Gosling) and Amber II (G. Smith). All carry 126 pounds. —China Mail Special.

BASEBALL SCORES

New York, Sept. 6

The Cleveland Indians held their lead in the American and the New York Giants gained ground in the National League today though each could get no better than an even break in Labour Day double-headers.

Major League scores today were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	R	H	E
Philadelphia	1	3	0
Washington	9	11	0
Philadelphia (2nd)	3	8	1
Washington	2	6	2
Detroit	0	12	1
Chicago	1	4	1
Detroit (2nd)	3	9	1
Chicago	2	12	0

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R	H	E
Chicago	2	8	2
Milwaukee	13	18	0
Chicago (2nd)	1	—	—
Milwaukee	0	—	—
St. Louis	8	14	0
Cincinnati	1	8	2

—United Press.

Home Rugger Results

London, Sept. 6

Rugger results today were: Rugby Union. "Bridgwater" and Albion 3, Pontypool 10. "Leamington" 16, Gwyn Williams' Team 18. "Pontypool" 9, Talyllyn 0. "Rugby League" Hull 15, York 8. Leeds 22, Hull Kingston Rovers 3. Swinton 5, Leigh 40. Wigan 12, Rochdale Hornets 8. "Workington Town" 16, Whitehaven 4.—Reuter.

Florence Chadwick Swimming Lake Ontario For \$10,000

Youngstown, New York, Sept. 6

Miss Florence Chadwick plunges into icy Lake Ontario tonight to swim for \$10,000, and two other women will jump in after her to do it for nothing.

The Canadian National Exhibition was officially sponsoring Miss Chadwick, 34-year-old conqueror of the English Channel and the Straits of Gibraltar, for \$10,000, if she makes it to the Toronto shore.

JUST FOR PRIDE

The other two are doing it just for pride. Marilyn Bell, 16-year-old New Toronto choir singer who was the first woman to finish the 26-mile Atlantic City swim, said she wanted to "uphold the honour of Canada".

Mrs. Winnie Roach Laueger of St. Thomas, Ontario, "the only Canadian to swim the English Channel," said she wanted to "prove who's better — Florence Chadwick or me".

Weather conditions were close to ideal for the swim. The lake temperature was 44 degrees, about as warm as it ever gets. While it was expected to average 45 degrees, it was actually 44 degrees. The lake was calm, with only a few small waves. The water was clear, and the sun was shining. The wind was light, and the temperature was just what was needed for the swim.

World Amateur Billiards Championship

Sydney, Sept. 6

Australian Tom Cleary led England's Edward's 2-0 points after the first two sessions of the opening match in the World Amateur Billiards Championship which began here today. Cleary, with 2,037 points to Edward's 1,173, will be in an almost unbeatable position when they play off the final session tomorrow.

The Championship is being decided in a series of four sessions played in two-hour sessions. The winner will be the player to win the greatest number of matches. There are 16 matches in all. The first session was played today, and the second session was played yesterday. The third session is being played today, and the fourth session is being played tomorrow.

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Tiberio Milri, the well-known Italian boxer, Middleweight Champion of Europe, with his wife, a former "Miss Italy," from whom he is obtaining a divorce. It is alleged by his fans that she has jinxed him, and when she appeared at the ringside during his fights they booed her.—Express Photo.

THE SPORTS ROUNDABOUT

The Hungarians Have Found A Centre-Forward Even Better Than Hidegkuti

By W. CAPEL KIRBY

Although Scotland have won their point by insisting on Hungary sending their strongest World Cup team to Glasgow for the match at Hampden Park on December 8 or thereabouts, don't be surprised if Hidegkuti is missing from the mesmerizing Magyars' line-up.

In Switzerland they were telling me there is a young, snappy and better centre-forward ready to take over from Hungary's goal-getting mascot.

His name is Ferenc Mészáros. I gather it was touch and go whether he, not Hidegkuti, led Hungary's attack in the World Cup series.

Now that Dick White is out of the Army how long can Southcombe afford to ignore overtures for their class centre-half-back?

Portsmouth, for instance, haven't forgotten the three storming games White played against them in the Cup last term.

RAIN BEATER
Remedy against a recurrence of that alarming £75,000 loss to first-class cricket through inclement weather: matting.

FANLING GOLF

P. G. Cornish won the September Qualifier for the Captain's Cup on the Old Course with a return of nett 70. A. Duffy being runner-up with 71 and L. F. Stokes, P. H. Taggart and Y. T. Tsoung shared third place with returns of nett 72.

The best Medal cards returned during the week-end were: P. G. Cornish 84-14 = nett 70; L. F. Stokes 90-20 = nett 70; A. D. Duffy 78-7 = nett 71; A. D. Jones 91-20 = nett 71; P. H. Taggart 89-17 = nett 72; Y. T. Tsoung 90-18 = nett 72; W. D. Leighton 80-7 = nett 73; J. D. Mackie 78-3 = nett 73.

Results of the second Summer Eccleic played, over the Old Course at Fanling from July 10 to August 31, were as follows: Gross—Winner—R. G. L. Oliphant—63; Runner-up John Wal—64.

Nett—Winner—J. E. Houston—74-24 = nett 80; Runner-up Lt. L. D. Haywood—73-22 = nett 81.

J. F. Shoemaker was the winner of the August Qualifier for the Smalley Mid-week Cup with a return of 85-15 = nett 70.

HANDICAP REVISIONS
The following handicap revisions are announced: C. Bramwell 7; T. A. Pearce 7; W. S. Vaughan 8; W. A. H. Balfour 8; S. Wisley 10; C. Atkins 11; Capt. G. M. Napier 12; J. F. Shoemaker 13; S. Allen 13; A. R. Paris 14; L. Gibson 15; J. R. Laughlin 15; H. D. Frantz 17; Y. T. Tsoung 18; G. S. Chambers 19; F. C. Braddell 20; J. Chang 20; R. Beck 21; R. T. Amos 24; O. A. Slinnott 24.

Members are advised that the Courtesy of the Deep Water Bay Course has been granted to the Ladies' Committee on Thursday, 9th September for the holiday of competitions in connection with the Closing day for Children's Golf. It is expected that the first tee will become available for members at about 6 p.m.

wickets with hard tennis court surfaced outfield.

Chapple d'Amato, orchestra leader, violinist and recently elected vice-chairman of Fulham, has played football in practically every country in Europe—for Jack Hyton's band.

They breed 'em tough Bury way. Joe Leeming, FA Cup medal winner, played in every first team position except goal, has lost his left leg, but says nothing will keep him away from Gigg Lane when he gets cracking on his artificial swinger. After all, Joe is only 78.

Piri's the name. Not "puff-puff" Piri of track fame, but Fred, 19-year-old Accrington full-back for whom one of the Manchester clubs have made inquiries.

Whether it's City or United, the fact is they're sufficiently interested to inflame their intention of giving the Cup Angus Ltd another look-over.

Reg. Mountford, former England and Huddersfield full-back, is now welfare and sports officer with a firm in Aden.

Instead of being free from cricket tours the winter of 1955-56 is likely to be even busier than usual.

George Duckworth tells me Lancashire contemplate touring Jamaica, an amateur eleven hope to visit Trinidad, and the new firmly established Commonwealth touristic are Australia and New Zealand-minded.

ES,000—IF HE WANTS IT
Top-Class half backs have never been scarcer in the Rugby

League, and £5,000 is waiting for Cliff Morgan, Cardiff's brilliant Welsh international outside-half, whenever he cares to sign for a well known Lancashire club.

Gerald Curver, the youngest Eric Houghton would have liked to accompany him to Villa Park, is the best inside forward proposition they've had at Notts County since Jackie Sewell.

"Moves just like Willie Hall used to do," say Meadow Lane old-timers.

Eddie Beynon, former Welsh schoolboy international, would find that daily 60 miles journey from his home in Wrexham to Shrewsbury and back somewhat tedious if he hadn't taken possession of a new car. They do themselves proud in the Third Division!

NO RED CARPET
Apart from the occasional Soccer success Newcastle achieve nothing in sport to set the Tyne on fire. Why, then, no civic welcome home for Pat Symons, England's sole Empire Games women's swimming success? Why no send-off to Turlin for the European Championships?

Does she have to collapse, sink, go down again and fail to finish to receive Tyneside's order of the red carpet?

Are Preston looking for Tom Finney's successor in Scotland? Could be. Magnet for Deepdale representatives has been Johnny Hannigan, Morton winger, who has just reported for National Service at Caterick.

WHITFIELD BARRACKS SIX-A-SIDE HOCKEY LEAGUE

The Whitfield Barracks six-a-side Hockey League continues with unabated enthusiasm. The standard of play is high though certain teams have already had setbacks in losing key players during this first month's play. The league is due to finish on October 1.

So far there are three unbeaten teams—Hongkong Kowloon Garrison 'A', 173 Locating Bly 'A' and 173 Locating Bly 'B'. The first two teams have played five matches and the last only three. However RHQ 72 LAA, Regt RA and 8 Coy RASC 'A' have lost only one game and have shown much improvement lately. They may well upset the more favoured teams.

HKKG 'A' are a sound side who rely mainly on the stickwork of Sgt Percy who is playing very well. There is little to choose between 173 'A' and 'B' teams although the former claim the more experienced players. Both, however, are young sides and are probably the fittest in the competition. RHQ 72 also have a good nucleus of experienced players in RSM Opie and BSA Turtin. A crop of injuries have upset the team recently with the result that a weakened team were humbled 4-1 by 173 'A'. 8 Coy RASC 'A' are a good side, who although losing 2-3 to 173 'A' save the latter's unbeaten record.

LEAGUE STANDINGS
The league standings on 27 Aug were as follows:

Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
HKKG 'A'	5	5	0	0	22	10	10
173 'A'	5	4	1	0	18	10	8
173 'B'	5	4	1	0	17	10	8
RHQ 72	5	3	2	0	15	12	6
8 Coy RASC 'A'	5	3	2	0	14	11	6
173 'C'	5	2	3	0	13	14	4
173 'D'	5	2	3	0	12	15	4
173 'E'	5	1	4	0	11	16	2
173 'F'	5	1	4	0	10	17	2
173 'G'	5	0	5	0	9	18	0

LADIES' TENNIS TOURNAMENT STARTS

TWO CLOSEST MATCHES WERE FOUGHT OUT IN COMPARATIVE OBSCURITY

One of the difficulties about watching the early rounds of a tennis tournament is that there is so much going on that it is not possible to get more than an impression of most of the games. While you are fitting from one court to another the climax of the match is arising on the one you have just left or, even more difficult, on another court tucked away in a corner.

So it was last evening, at the opening of the Colony Ladies' Tennis Championships at the Ladies' Recreation Club. While most of the spectators found that the stands gave them a good general view of five games, tucked away on the two courts that could not be seen two well fought matches were being played out.

Down on Court 8 Miss Margaret Fincher was learning that in tournament tennis a little more than steadiness is required, players must win points rather than wait for their opponents to lose them.

So, after some very steady plugging in the early part of the first set she found that the more experienced Mrs. M. Peppercorn began to produce outright winners down either wing of the court to which she had no answer.

Up on Court 2, Mrs. P. Eyles, a hard hitter who is sometimes a bit erratic, found herself in arrears after the first set against Mrs. M. Guillaume who has not

before been seen in local Championship tennis.

Mrs. Guillaume, however, found that a powerful forehand is not the complete answer to everything and once Mrs. Eyles discovered the comparative weakness of the backhand she was able to pull the match out of the fire.

PULLED OUT WINNERS
Similarly on Court 7 Miss Greta Lo had to pull out winners to beat Miss Diana Madgett whose big lead in the first set was built up on getting to the net as quickly as possible. These tactics looked like paying a quick dividend until Miss Lo saw that with the volleys not being sufficiently angled, the passing shot could be used to leave Miss Madgett without an answer.

On Court 3 Mrs. G. D. Malden had a fairly easy game against Miss Alice Oei who never seemed to get going at all whilst on Court 6 down on our left Mrs. A. C. Thompson, after finding the surface of the court somewhat slippery in the first set when she was extended to 7-5, decided to play in bare feet and had a somewhat easier passage into the quarter-finals than looked probable at one time.

On Court 5 Miss Ailsa Philip and Miss Joan Lambour have a good hard-hitting battle with Miss Philip just having the edge all the time. She has all the strokes and obviously knows her tournament tennis and it remains to be seen whether she can produce her outright winners against the steadiness of the players she will meet in the last rounds.

In the remaining match Mrs. Mary Chow, the number two seed, demonstrated that she was too good for Mrs. M. Ramchand.

The latter player seemed to be finding herself rather out of position a few yards forward of the base line and not by any means fast enough to get back and deal with Mrs. Chow's fast good length-drives to the corners. At the same time she kept producing the occasional first class shot which left Mrs. Chow absolutely standing.

On the form shown last evening it is difficult to see anyone upsetting the seeded players in this Championship, but there should be some interesting games in the Quarter-Finals on Friday evening with the spotlight on the encounter between Mrs. Ip and Mrs. Peppercorn at the top of the draw and the battle of the left-handers, Mrs. Chow and Mrs. Malden, at the lower end. This evening we have the first round games of the Colony Ladies' Doubles and tomorrow the Colony Mixed Doubles gets under way, so here's hoping the weather holds up.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS
Colony Ladies' Singles
Mrs. Mary Chow beat Mrs. Marie Ramchand 6-1, 6-2.
Miss Greta Lo beat Miss D. Madgett 7-5, 6-4.
Miss Ailsa Philip beat Miss Joan Lambour 6-3, 6-2.
Mrs. D. Malden beat Miss Alice Oei 6-1, 6-0.
Mrs. P. Eyles beat Mrs. M. C. Guillaume 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.
Mrs. M. Peppercorn beat Miss Margaret Fincher 6-2, 6-0.
Mrs. A. C. Thompson beat Miss Philip 7-5, 6-3.

TODAY'S GAMES
Colony Ladies' Doubles Championship
Mrs. Brooke Smith and Mrs. Hill v. Miss Fincher and Miss Silva (Court 3).
Mrs. Peppercorn and Mrs. Greta v. Mrs. Ip and Mrs. M. Chan (Court 4).
Mrs. Stokes and Miss Lambour v. Mrs. Eyles and Mrs. Thompson (Court 5).
Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Roberts v. Miss Mandfield and Miss Liddington (Court 6).

Clean Sweep For RAF Cyclists

First place, first team, first handicap and a Colony record. That was the proud achievement of the RAF Sal Wan cycling team in the Open 10 Miles Time Trial promoted by the NTACA on Sunday.

Hero of the day was Philip, red-headed fast man of the Sal Wan team, whose record breaking time of 24 min 30 sec., (on a far from easy morning), also gave him first handicap award, and enabled him to lead his team to a four seconds win over REME.

The previous Colony record for the distance was the 24-58 put up by Staddon of HMS "Marecombe Bay," during the "Novices" Competition in the summer months. Philip is fairly confident that he can beat 24 minutes on a decent day. Quite a far cry from the record time of H.A.G. Keates, which had stood at 27-35 since 1934.

Second fastest time was by Ryalene, REME, with 25-12, Hurford and Todd-White filling the next two places with 25-20 and 26-18, respectively.

BIG DISAPPOINTMENT
A big disappointment was the lack of entries from RAF Kai Tak, whose riders can generally be relied upon to provide a surprise of two.

Time keeper was once again Sgt Clegg, RAOC, with Cdn. Skinner, REME, acting as Turn Marshall. Awards were presented by Mrs. Whitmore, wife of Flt-Sgt Whitmore, Secretary of the successful RAF Sal Wan Team.

Next fastest time, Philip (RAF Sal Wan), 24-38, Second, Ryalene, REME, 25-12, Third, Todd-White (Welch), 26-18. Winning Team: RAF Sal Wan, (Philip, Wilkinson, Gower), 1-18-42, Second Team: REME (Ryalene, Hurford, Milligan) 1-18-42.

Next event in the programme is the 35 Miles Circuit Massed Start Race to be promoted by the RAF Sal Wan, on Sunday next, starting at 8 a.m. (This event was originally scheduled for August but had to be postponed owing to typhoon "Ida").

Langlois First Challenger For Olsen's Title

Paris, Sept. 6.—French middleweight boxer, has been named first challenger for the world middleweight title held by Carl "Bobo" Olson, of the United States. It was announced today.

A letter from Mr. Robert Christenberry, President of the International Boxing Commission, to Mr. Edouard "Babe" Remy, of the French Boxing Federation, stated that "Mr. Christenberry had accepted the offer of Pierre Langlois, who has been named the challenger for the world middleweight title held by Carl 'Bobo' Olson, of the United States. It was announced today."

Open Singles Quarter-finals This Evening

By "TOUCHER"

A full programme of all the four quarter-finals of the Colony Men's Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship is scheduled for today.

An interesting feature of this year's quarter-finals is that both last year's Champion, M. B. Hassan, and runner-up George Norman are still in the running.

Speculation is rife whether last year's final will be repeated and whether M. B. Hassan will be the first lawn bowler to win the title two years running after an interval of 41 years since W. Russell achieved that feat in 1912 and 1913.

At the Hongkong Football Club, Hassan will be pitted against no mean performer in A. H. Seemlin who already has to his credit a brilliant win over J. S. Landolt in his previous round.

Seemlin is the more consistent drawing man, of the two, but Hassan is the more experienced and possesses a greater variety of shots.

Though Hassan will come on the green as the favourite, he will have to produce at least 80 per cent of his best form to get through this round.

A much closer and keener game is expected on the adjacent rink of the same green between A. L. G. Eastman and A. R. A. Rahman.

The Indian Recreation Club player is ranked as perhaps the best drawing man in his Club today and this he amply proved in his earlier round victory over Hongkong's Empire Games representative Joe Lux.

Eastman is also in the same category as his opponent, in ability to get to the jack and some extremely good bowling should be forthcoming from this encounter with the odds about 80-40 in favour of Rahman. As a result, Peter Hughes will probably enjoy a slight edge over him. The other two quarter-finals will be played at the same time as the Hassan-Seemlin and Rahman-Eastman matches. Frank Clegg, gull, representing the Sal Wan team, will be the challenger in this round. The other two quarter-finals will be played at the same time as the Hassan-Seemlin and Rahman-Eastman matches.

Frank Stranahan Relinquishes His Amateur Status

New York, Sept. 6.—Frank Stranahan, 30, of Toledo, Ohio, one of the world's leading amateur golfers, today announced his intention of competing as a professional golfer in the future.

Before taking off by plane for Brazil where he plans to play in an open tournament next week-end, Stranahan made an announcement to be distributed after his departure.

He also sent a letter to the United States Golf Association, notifying them that he was relinquishing his amateur status.

Stranahan has competed in open and amateur championships in many parts of the world. He was British Amateur Champion in 1948 and 1950 and in the same year was runner-up in the American Amateur Championship.

He has also won the Canadian Amateur Championship and the American Amateur Championship. He is a member of the United States Golf Association and the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews.

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DINK TEMPLETON PREDICTS United States Will Lose Its World Dominance In The Olympic Games

San Francisco, Sept. 6. Unless there is a great rekindling of spirit in the American track and field ranks, the United States will lose its world dominance in the Olympic Games—possibly in 1956, but not later than 1960.

So says famed Dink Templeton, head coach of the San Francisco Olympic Club, former Stanford coach and now a radio sports commentator.

"Constantin Adrianov, of Russia, comes pretty close to holding the tryouts in July. Then, those who make the team are going to be put on their honour to keep in shape until the Melbourne, meet in late November and December," says the outspoken coach.

"What an athlete needs to keep in condition is competition. There should be more meets planned for the fall months to keep our boys ready for the Melbourne Olympics."

Templeton says that as far as he can see there seems to be no interest in women's track and field in the United States.

"Russia and other European countries have great feminine track and field stars," says Templeton. "We just can't seem to generate any interest in women's track and field performers. There are a few leaders at work trying to get our young girls to run and jump—but they aren't getting much support."

PUBLIC APATHY
"We can't get on the sports pages without a big-time meet. I would say we have a general apathy on the part of the public as far as track and field is concerned."

The United States Olympic Committee plans to see United States athletes in a tip-up contest with the Soviet Union at the Moscow Olympics. Templeton says that as far as he can see there seems to be no interest in women's track and field in the United States.

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Mountaineers From Four Countries Heading For Other High Peaks

Katmandu, Nepal, Sept. 6.

After the conquest of the two highest peaks in the world, Everest and K2, mountaineers from four different countries are now heading for the next four highest peaks.

During this autumn and next spring, British, German, French and Austrian expeditions will attempt Kanchenjunga (28,168 feet), Lhotse (27,890), Makalu (27,790 feet) and Cho Oyu (26,750 feet).

Earlier this year a British expedition reconnoitred Kanchenjunga, the world's third highest peak and one of the most difficult mountains of all to climb. The expedition reported that it had found a feasible way up the mountain and the main attempt will be made next spring.

A German expedition is going to Lhotse, fourth highest mountain and twin peak to Everest. It has never yet been attempted. The expedition asked for permission to make the climb this autumn but the Nepalese Government refused since there were already sufficient expeditions booked for the Nepal Himalayas. So the Germans will come next spring.

They will take the route up through the icefall and western Cwm followed by the British expedition in their successful attempt on Everest last year.

RECONNAISSANCE

The French have booked Makalu, fifth highest peak, both for this autumn and next spring. An attempt made by the Americans earlier this year on Makalu failed after they had reached a height of 23,000 feet. An eight-man French reconnaissance team composed mainly of French guides from Chamouni, in the Alps, and led by M. Jean Franco, is now on its way to Makalu. It hopes to set up a base camp at the foot of the mountain by September 15 and to make a complete reconnaissance of the area during the following five weeks.

The sixth highest mountain, Cho Oyu, has been picked by a small Austrian party led by Dr. Herbert Tichy, a Viennese geologist and writer. Dr. Tichy, with his two Austrian companions, Dr. Helmut Heuberger, a geography professor from Innsbruck, and Herr Josef Joechler, a building engineer, is already on his way to Namche Bazar, the sherpa village on the route to Everest and Cho Oyu.

In addition to these attempts on the four biggest unconquered peaks several other expeditions are planned.

OXFORD TEAM

A British team from Oxford University, which is to assault the 23,079 feet Salpa Peak, in northwest Nepal, is already at the base of the mountain. To fit in their expedition during the summer vacation, the Oxford team have had to make their attempt during the risky period of the monsoon.

A Swiss expedition led by the famous Swiss guide, Raymond Lambert, who reached 28,215 feet on Mount Everest with Tensing in 1952, will attempt the 23,440-foot Gaurishankar this autumn.

Gaurishankar has never yet been attempted. It lies about 30 miles west of Everest and was frequently mistaken for it by early geographers.

GERMAN TEAM

A German team led by Herr Rudi Rott will try one of the peaks in the Garhwal Himalayan area of India. They will probably tackle 23,350-foot Triash, which was the first big Himalayan peak ever conquered. It was climbed by a British expedition in 1907. This autumn will be the first big post-monsoon climbing season ever undertaken in the Himalayas.

Hitherto most expeditions have made their attempts in the spring, though both the Swiss and the British in 1952 tried autumn expeditions to Everest and Cho Oyu.

These autumn climbers will have to contend with heavy monsoon rains on the approach of March, treacherous snow conditions on the mountains and the sudden dangerous grip of winter cold, which means certain death if they stay in the mountains too long.—China Mail Special.

Flying Saucers Are Real, Say Australians

Melbourne, Sept. 6.

Ten flying saucer enthusiasts in Melbourne, who have spent a year investigating sightings of mysterious objects seen in the sky over the city, have reached the conclusion that flying saucers are real.

"Flying saucers have definite objective existence," they declare. "They are real things, not optical tricks."

The 10 men making up the self-styled flying saucer investigation committee are a banker, a journalist, four engineers, two clerks and two industrial engineers.

A year ago these men decided they would investigate the phenomena independently. They cross-examined 55 people on what they had seen and reached their conclusions: one of the "saucers" was a balloon, four were meteors, one was a drifting seed of a Scotch thistle; two were jet aircraft, and 47 could not be explained.

The solution of the whole "flying saucer" mystery, the committee adds, constitutes "a challenge to further intensified and painstaking research."—China Mail Special.

UNEXPLAINED SAUCERS

A spokesman of the Committee said the 47 "unexplained" "saucers" broke us into four distinct groups.

1. Six were cigar-shaped glowing objects seen at night gliding in the sky.
2. Fifteen were "proper" flying saucers or discs, rotating bodies appearing in pairs. When seen low down the upper portion appears to rotate. This type have windows and small ball-like wheels underneath.
3. Six more were shooting "moons"—bright lights which flash across the sky, hover for a minute or so, and appear or disappear suddenly.
4. The largest class, with 20 sightings, were small hovering lights, which hang in the sky then dash off at high speed. In daylight, their surfaces flash in the sun like highly polished metal.

CONVINCED

"The committee is convinced that they have a definite, objective existence. They have been seen in too many widely separated places, at too many different times by too many sound and reliable witnesses to be dismissed."

The committee considers that no theory so far put forward as to their origin and nature satisfactorily explains more than a percentage of them, and that until their existence or non-existence has been proved "we should retain open and impartial minds."

The solution of the whole "flying saucer" mystery, the committee adds, constitutes "a challenge to further intensified and painstaking research."—China Mail Special.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

HER ROYAL HIGHNESS, PRINCESS NARDA OF COCKAIGNE.

WE MET YEARS AGO, WHEN YOU WERE LITTLE. YOU'VE BECOME A BEAUTIFUL, DAZZLING WOMAN.

THANK YOU, SIRE.

A ROYAL WOLF IF EVER SAW ONE.

I DIDN'T DREAM YOU'D BE SO LOVELY.

I WONDER WHERE MANDRAKE IS. WISH I COULD HAVE GONE TO THE MOVIE WITH HIM.

SHE LOOKS—AND IS—A PRINCESS. MANDRAKE'S WHERE SHE REALLY BELONGS.

FERD'NAND

By Milk

WHY ARE YOU PUTTING A GLOVE ON YOUR DOG'S TAIL?

I WANT HIM TO BE THE FIRST DOG WHO EVER PETTED A PERSON.

NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller

JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins

IT IS OBVIOUS, SIRE, THE CIRCUS OWNER YOU AIDED THE ESCAPED CRIMINAL ESCAPES IN CROSSING OUR BORDER.

PERHAPS THE SIGNORINA REQUIRES POLICE PROTECTION.

NO, THANKS! POLICE CAN'T STICK AS CLOSE TO NICKI AS WE'RE GOING TO BE.

MY LITTLE CAT NICKI HAS NINE LIVES... BUT WE SHALL SEE... WE SHALL SEE!

TALK ABOUT MAGIC!

Have you seen

Admiral

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Myxomatosis Hits Domestic Rabbits

London, Sept. 6.

Myxomatosis, the disease which is wiping out Britain's wild rabbits, is now spreading to domestic rabbits.

Mr. J. Sandford, Secretary of the British Rabbit Council, said here that cases had occurred among exhibition and fur rabbits in Kent, Sussex and Essex.

"One breeder in the Lewes area lost 16 rabbits and a guinea pig in Essex had to destroy 14 because of the disease," he said.

"Breeders are not obliged to notify outbreaks and we are sure that there have been many more cases than have been reported to us."

Mr. Sandford said the disease was spread by insects. He estimated the domestic rabbit population in Britain was 25,000,000, including adult and young animals, and the value of specimens ranged from £2 to £50 sterling.—China Mail Special.

Afro-Asian Conference

Colombo, Sept. 6.

Mr. A. E. Goonesinha, Ceylon's envoy in Indonesia, said on arrival here today that the Indonesian Government had almost completed its plans for an Afro-Asian conference in Djakarta next January or February.

The invitations will be issued shortly to all countries in the region from Egypt to Japan, he said.

Dr. Soekarno, the Indonesian President, had told him it was "the dream of his life" to see the Afro-Asian countries united together on a common platform.

Mr. Goonesinha is on his way to Burma to take up an appointment there.—Reuters.

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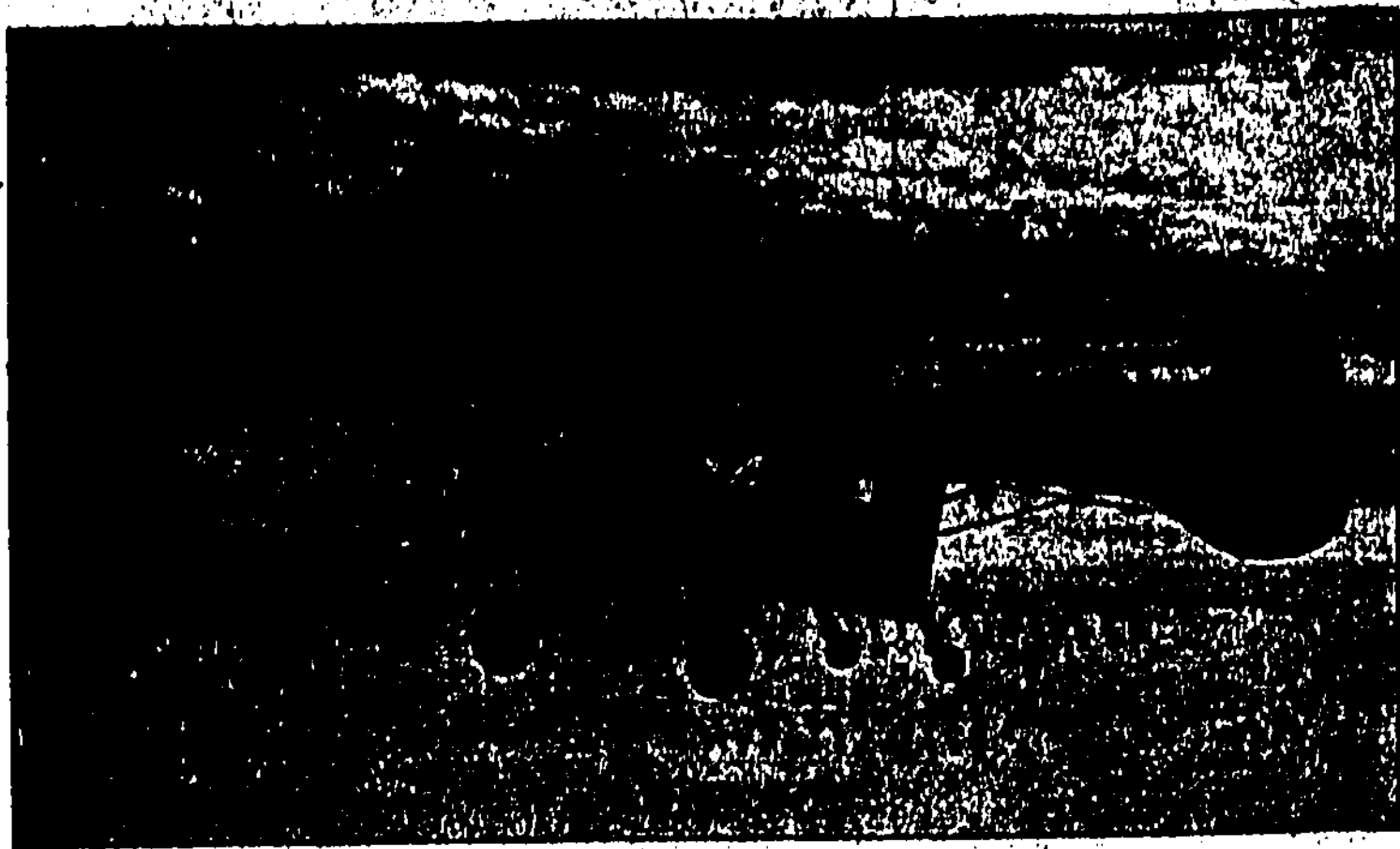
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OUR WEEKLY AVIATION NEWS



The Auster Ambulance/Freighter (180 hp Cirrus-Bombardier 703 engine) flying without the rear door in position.—Auster Photo.

Aircraft Industry Show: Points From Programme

One of the most interesting entries this year is the Folland Midge, for which an individual demonstration in the flying programme has been planned. The Midge, although it first flew as recently as August 11, has already completed its preliminary flight trials. It is the prototype of a new lightweight jet fighter now under construction called the Gnat. Like the D.H. 110 which will also be shown, the Gnat will have a flying tailplane, and a working model of it will be exhibited on the Static Exhibition. The stand will also feature a fully-equipped front fuselage of a Midge, and a new lightweight fully-automatic ejector seat which has been developed with a view to keeping the weight of Gnat to the minimum, in order to save cost and production time.

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A fighter which heralds a new era in naval aviation is the Supermarine 525. This will be seen in the Display flying with two Rolls-Royce Avon engines. It is a swept-wing development of the 508, and represents the second stage in the production of a new naval fighter for which a substantial order has been placed.

Hawker Hunters of several marks are due to fly to demonstrate some of the qualities which have already brought their manufacturers such valuable overseas orders. The sales of Hunters now booked constitute the largest export sale ever made of any British aircraft.

The Gloster Javelin will again be shown, but this year on September 7 the world's aviation experts will see for the first time a formation of Javelins in the air together. The Javelin is believed to be the most powerful all-weather fighter in the world; and is designed to carry air-to-air guided missiles. The fact that the Gloster Meteor, designed by the same firm, has been in operational service for ten years, gives an indication of the development potential of the Javelin.

Like the Javelin, the Avro Vulcan will demonstrate the advantages of the delta wing, while the H.P. Victor and the Vickers Valiant will display their respective design philosophies.

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In the light bomber class, there will be the new night-fighter version of the Canberra, the B.2. The Canberra is the only British jet bomber at present available for export, but the number now flying throughout the world is impressive. It was recently announced that Canada is the latest country to obtain delivery.

RECORD EXPORT ORDERS

A single fighter, the Hawker Hunter, has achieved orders worth £120,000,000 apart from direct orders for the RAF. A single merchant aircraft, the Vickers Viscount, has achieved orders for overseas amounting to £2,000,000.

The Vickers Viscount shown at Farnborough this year will be flying in the colours of Trans-Australia Airlines, which will be the first company outside Europe to take delivery of Viscounts. Only this week TAA's Canadian counterpart, Trans-Canada Airlines, placed a repeat order for 7 Viscounts and Alouettes, a British company, ordered 3. The TCA order is the second repeat order received by Vickers-Armstrongs from a dollar purchaser. Capital Airlines, USA, had already increased a previous order for three to one of forty aircraft.

Bristol will this year again demonstrate the Britannia, which has now emerged into the production stage. Four are due for delivery to BOAC before the end of the year.

Finally the Comet 3 will give the public a glimpse of the jet transport of the future. It is a swept-wing aircraft of undeniable beauty, and yet capable of carrying seventy-five passengers at 500 mph over the Atlantic.

These and numerous other developments will indicate some of the progress made in British aviation during the year. Once again the outlines of the future of flying for the next decade will be discernible at the SBAC's September Show.

Britain is being urged to ratify an agreement drawn up nearly two years ago by 20 nations to define liability for damage caused by an aeroplane crashing in a country not of its origin.

That agreement, the Rome Convention, was to come into effect when five nations had ratified it. So far only one country, Egypt, has done so.

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The Local Authorities Airport Committee, representing local councils around London Airport, have been told that any claim for compensation could be against the owner, or company operating the airport. But the committee have been warned by their honorary secretary, Mr. M. Coupe, that there was always a possibility that a foreign aeroplane might not be fully insured.

So the committee are urging the Government to ratify the Rome Convention.

But even if Britain were to become the second to ratify the agreement, it would still need three other nations to sign before it became effective.

In practice, however, all airlines normally operating at London Airport are fully insured against third party claims.

Being the Air Minister's personal air secretary does not mean an armchair job all the time in Whitehall. When Lord De Lisle and Dudley went on tour of RAF stations a few days ago he flew in a two-seater Vampire jet trainer. In the pilot's seat was the RAF's Squadron Leader J. E. Hill.

Before being attached to the Air Minister, Squadron Leader Hill commanded a Canberra jet bomber squadron.

Lockheed's Director of Commercial Sales talking about the new Model 1049C Super Constellation said recently: "With a 7,750-gallon total fuel capacity, Super Constellations will gain up to 850 miles more range, for a maximum distance capability of 4,020 miles with reserves, or 5,840 miles absolute. Tip tanks will be optional. The range bonus will cost no payment in the new ships because they have been built to take off with 137,400 pounds maximum gross weight, up from 135,400 pounds at present. Improvement of landing gear and engines make the higher weight possible. The Model G with tip tanks will be able to shorten travel time on long-range air routes by eliminating some fuel stop. Top speed is more than 370 mph. Maximum cruising speed is around 335 mph. The extra range potential will be particularly valuable west-bound across the Atlantic against headwinds. Against average 55-mph headwinds, for example, a 3,400-mile nonstop route becomes the same as a 4,100-mile trip in still air. That's when the extra range pays off. For these new planes, the headwinds will be a breeze."

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"American Aviation" reports: "A vertical beam of light will be used by the CAA and the National Air Transport Co-ordinating Committee in an attempt to reduce noise around La Guardia Field. The beam will be installed in a park four miles from the airport. Pilots flying toward the light will have climbed to an altitude of some 1,500 feet by the time they reach it, and subsequent turns over residential areas will not be objectionable."

Hall L. Hibbard, Lockheed Aircraft Corp. vice president-engineering, is back from a two-month round-the-world trip more convinced than ever, he said, of the need for a freight transport of the type of Lockheed's forthcoming turboprop C-130.

Everywhere he went in the Orient and Middle East, he said, he was asked when an economic freight aeroplane would become available. Carriers are removing the eight front seats in some of their aircraft to make room for freight, he reported, and backlogs pile up at almost every airport.

Freight volumes are booming in Australia. Approximately 30 per cent of Australian National Airways' business now is air freight. The airlines in that part of the world would like an air freighter having about the same capacity as the DC-4, but designed for air freight service with truck loading.

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The Lockheed executive said that two questions wherever he went were: What happened to the Comet, and what about a US jet transport? Hibbard said he felt confident the safety and reliability of the Comet would be re-established and that the British jet transport would go back on the line. As for a US jet transport, he called attention to the fact that Boeing's 707 is now flying and undoubtedly will be in service with the airlines in three or four years.

"What about a Lockheed jet transport?" Hibbard was asked. "We still have not reached a decision," he replied.

UNITED STATES STOCKS

First Monthly Decline Of The Year

By John Morka

New York, Sept. 5.

Stocks experienced their first monthly decline of the year in August.

In a broad setback on Monday, prices declined as much as two points as traders caution developed in the face of sustained market rise.

The drop on Tuesday was even more pronounced. The Dow-Jones industrial average fell 1.60 per cent on the day, eliminating all of the gains of the past two months. There was some resultant pressure on commodity prices as coffee and cocoa dipped near or to permissible limits. Elsewhere there were no wide price changes.

A host of reasons were advanced for the market sell-off. Mentioned was the failure of the French Assembly to ratify the plan for the European Defence Community with President Eisenhower's comment that the road ahead was still difficult and that much still remained to be done. But market experts leaned more to the idea that the market was just too strong for its own good and that it was due for a technical correction. Despite the temporary setback, Wall Street is experiencing its biggest wave of prosperity in years.

Attracted by high earnings, good dividends, and plentiful money the American investing public has been buying and selling stocks with enthusiasm. Under the resultant buying wave, stocks advanced monthly until the August break. For example, at the close of trading Wednesday, the Dow-Jones industrial average stood at 338.13, compared to 263.90 a year earlier.

MORE SELECTIVE
According to some market specialists, investors caution was deemed a healthy development. If anything, it tends to keep in check any inclination for over-speculation and also helps keep the market more selective.

Elsewhere in the economy this week: The trend towards consolidation has been most pronounced in the chemical and auto industries. But recent activity in this direction by some hotel

and newspaper operators has attracted the interest of the US Department of Justice. Bethlehem Steel Corporation has been asked for "more information" on its proposed merger with Youngstown Tube and Sheet Company.

Strikes which tied up operations in US rubber, copper, and lumber industries were settled this week. Kennecott Copper and Corporation, hit by a strike since August 16, reached a settlement. This was the first break in the work stoppage which spread across the copper production and 45 per cent of Chilean operations. Striking lumber workers on the West Coast—about 25,000—went back to work pending new attempts at settlement. Meanwhile, the US Rubber Company signed an agreement this week, following B. F. Goodrich and Goodyear Tire. There was a good chance also that the Firestone Tire Co., major producer whose workers have been out since August 12, might reach an early settlement.

DOLLAR POSITION

A round table conference predicted at Symposium this week that US exports would show a 5 per cent gain this year, reversing the gradual decline of the past two years. Improvement in the dollar position abroad and an easing of trade restrictions were cited as the principal reasons for the expected improvement. Meanwhile, American export circles looked forward to a gradual but perhaps slow boost in trade with Russia and Eastern Europe on the heels of the US action in lifting some 600 commodities from the US restricted lists. The revision, in line with similar action by other Western bloc nations aimed at promoting trade with the East, will tend to encourage exporters in seeking licence permits on goods which had no chance of receiving Government authorization.

COTTON TEXTILES

Cotton textile traders reported a firming time in the price and generally a slight upturn in business this month. Mill shipments are reported moving at a rapid pace, as many of the mills increased their working schedules to take on the expected spurt.

Meanwhile, the cotton market is waiting the cotton crop report next Wednesday by the Department of Agriculture, and this has been reflected somewhat in the market. Cotton prices have been moving upward for several weeks, the buyers are anxious to probe the market further, prices are likely to stiffen if the report shows less than 12 million bales, and will remain steady if the crop report shows a harvest of over 12 million, according to industrial sources.

OIL INDUSTRY

A business research organization report that the oil industry is making progress on two key problems: excessive imports and price weakness. The United States Business Service, business analysts, predicts that net earnings of oil companies will reach a low point in the current quarter, particularly for small refiners who produce only a small part of their needs. Prospects are best, it added, for firms with important earnings from foreign output of the crude producers with new production sufficient to offset reduced allowances.

Meanwhile, a spokesman for the Independent Petroleum Association, opposed any stockpiling programme, by the US Government, and international oil sources, and it has been clamouring for it has been against excessive imports. A Presidential committee will consider the oil situation in the next few months. Russell Brown, General Counsel for the oil industry, representing about 100 independent producers, said that the industry was not in a position to stockpile oil, and that the industry was not in a position to stockpile oil.

Coffee Exchange Will Reopen

Paris, Sept. 6. The coffee exchange market in La Havre will reopen on November 16, it was announced today. This important market which handles transactions for future deliveries had been closed since the beginning of the Second World War.—United Press.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$343,224.20. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
HSBC Bank	1710	55 @ 1720	
INSURANCES			
Union	900 015	0.05	
Underwriters			
SHIPPING			
Waterhead	20		
DOCKS, ETC.			
Dock	23 23.30	700 @ 23	
President	14 14.20	500 @ 14	
Shah Dock	7 15	1500 @ 7.70	
LAND, ETC.			
HSBC	11 11.30	500 @ 11.15	
HSBC Land	00 1/2	1043 @ 00 1/2	
HSBC Land	20 20.90	500 @ 20.90	
HSBC Land	20 20.90	500 @ 20.90	
UTILITIES			
Electric	15 15.10	1040 @ 15.20	
C. Light (O)	15 15.10	1040 @ 15.20	
C. Light (N)	12 12.70	500 @ 12.80	
Electric	XD 32 1/2	100 @ 32 1/2	
Telephone	21 21.20	200 @ 21.30	
INDUSTRIALS			
Concrete	27 27.50		
Stores, ETC.			
Dairy	24 24.90	250 @ 25.10	
Watson	17 17.70	200 @ 17.80	
Crawford	21 21.30		
MISCELLANEOUS			
Yankee	5 5.70	5.80	

London Stock Market

London, Sept. 6. Although tension in the Far East has caused operators to proceed cautiously, the undertone of stock market has been satisfactory.

There has been a certain amount of end-account profit taking in those shares where big gains have been established, but new business has also been on a sizable scale, and dealers are looking for a busy day when the new account starts on Wednesday, proving the international situation does not deteriorate.

In store shares, Marks and Spencer were outstanding being market up nearly 5s. to 60s 6d. the highest this year. Great Universal Stores rallied after losing ground during the morning, and ended the day 1s. 3d. lower at 114s.

Gilt-edged securities maintained their initial gains, and business has been on an increased scale. Foreign bonds drifted lower. German Danes 5 per cent fell 1/4 points to 27 1/2. Oil shares were disappointed with Anglo-Iranian market down 4 1/2 to 31s 4 1/2. Burmah Oil lost 5s to 240 1/2. Alcan lost 10s to 27s 10 1/2. United Press.

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, Sept. 6. The tin market was firmer in the official morning session with spot rising 1 1/2 points to 273 1/2. In the unofficial afternoon market, the tin was steady with spot unchanged at 273 1/2, and three-month down 3/4 to 273 1/2.

Turnover in the afternoon was 65 tons of which none was for cash. Closing prices were: Spot buyers 273 1/2, 3-month buyers 273 1/2, 3-month sellers 273 1/2.—United Press.

LONDON LEAD AND ZINC

London, Sept. 6. Lead, zinc and copper were all steady in the afternoon markets. Prices closed today in sterling per long ton as follows: Lead 100 1/2, 3-month buyers 100 1/2, 3-month sellers 100 1/2. Zinc 84 1/2, 3-month buyers 84 1/2, 3-month sellers 84 1/2.—United Press.

U.S. MARKETS CLOSED

New York, Sept. 6. After a sharp decline during the morning session, the New York stock market closed today in a narrow range. The Dow Jones industrial average ended at 338.13, down 1.60 points from the previous day's close. The market was characterized by a general decline in most sectors, with some exceptions. The volume of trading was moderate.

Egypt Determined To Take Advantage Of Suez Settlement

London, Sept. 6.

"Lombard" banking and finance columnist for London's Financial Times, said today in a column entitled "Sterling finance for Egypt?"

"It seems that Egypt is determined to take full advantage for economic purposes of the improvement in Anglo-Egyptian relations that has followed the settlement of the Suez Canal zone dispute. Within a few weeks of the settlement it has been disclosed that the Egyptian Finance Minister, Dr. Hamid Sherif, is coming to London for discussions with British ministers about financial matters, and more particularly about British help in financing major development schemes in Egypt."

SOURCE OF CAPITAL

"For many decades this country was the main source from which Egypt drew its supplies of foreign capital. But the departure of Egypt from the sterling area shortly after the end of the war and the subsequent deterioration in political and economic relations between the two countries put a complete stop to the movement of capital."

"It is not difficult to see why the Egyptian authorities would like to secure a revival of British investment interest in their country."

"For although during the past year or two the Egyptian Government has taken a number of important steps to encourage foreign money into the country by promising repatriation facilities the country is still suffering from an acute shortage of finance."

NO INDICATIONS

"In particular, there are still no indications that will be able to raise the substantial sums of money needed for carrying out some of the Egyptian Government's favourite long-term capital development projects. The Egyptian authorities have already had lengthy talks with the leading industrialists and bankers of a number of European countries."

"But these discussions have demonstrated only too clearly that all possible sources of foreign capital will have to be tapped."

"To some extent the British authorities could make additional supplies of sterling available by speeding up the releases from that country's blocked account."—United Press.

World Rubber Markets

Singapore, Sept. 6. The market opened higher and steadied on political news. Sellers were reserved and there was little buying for spot covering and little trade support. Future closings: No. 1 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 2 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 3 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 4 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 5 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 6 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 7 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 8 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 9 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 10 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 11 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 12 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 13 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 14 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 15 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 16 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 17 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 18 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 19 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 20 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 21 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 22 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 23 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 24 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 25 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 26 rubber per lb. 63 1/2-64 1/2, No. 27 rubber per lb. 63 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RICH MAN POOR MAN

POVERTY can be crippling to intellect and effort, and so, sometimes, can plenty. Many men have suffered through being poor, some through being inconveniently rich. A man called George has had misfortune both ways.

He once had wealth enough. Not spectacular wealth, but enough money to live on. Enough to save him the trouble of working. If he chose to use it that way. He did so choose.

George in those days had, besides his money, excellent health and a fine physique. The way he spent his money ensured that as well as using it all up he spent his good health besides. So by the time his money was gone his health was gone, too.

PRUDENCE

THERE were long months then of hospitals and sanatoriums. The doctors put George together again, more or less. His banker could not do the same with his finances.

George took the only sort of job he could find. He got casual work as a fishporter in Billingsgate.

He had learned by now some prudence about money. He saved what he could of the £1 a day he earned when things were going well. And when he thought he had money enough, he treated himself to an evening out in the cinema—the bars where he once had spent so freely.

GIFTS

HIS clothes were ragged, and he had grown a beard that matched them. But in some of the places he went to they were glad to see him again, and old friends slipped round from the shako to the public bar to shake him by the hand, buy him a drink, and make tactful conversation.

The other day, George made one such expedition. It was a great success, and by the time the dripping season ended George had no money left.

On his way from the last public house where he called, he stopped an occasional passer-by, and one or two gave covers to the gaunt, bearded man that he had grown to be.

UNFORTUNATE

GEORGE was arrested for begging, and swaggared into the Clerkenwell court next morning to plead not guilty to the charge. His eyes were merry and his back was straight. His defence was that he had, only asked the passers-by for the time of day.

"Have you not a watch?" asked Mr. F. H. Powell, the magistrate.

"It's a long time since I had a watch," George answered.

"But I thought I saw a watch chain hanging under your coat?"

George thrust up his bearded chin and laughed, and tried to haul up something that looked like a pylon girder that hung like a tail from under his ragged coat.

"I'm not earning much," he said, "but enough to keep off the dole. I was rather unfortunate, I suppose, I lost my money and my health at the same time."

NO ANCHORAGE

"THAT sometimes happens," said the magistrate. "You seem to have come down in the world. Can't you do something better than this?"

"I'm not trying to 'shoot a line,'" said George, "but look, I'm going to 'fill time' at the market, next week."

"No," George said, not regretfully, "I would like to help you. There's no point in sending you to prison. I shall discharge you. Have a word with the probation officer," said the magistrate.

"Very sporting of you," George said, and, grinning, and sharing his elation generously with everyone in sight, he went away. A man who had made terms with misfortune and was content.

Man Charged With Making Razor Attack On Woman

Allegations that he slashed his common law wife with a double-bladed razor about the face and body after she had refused to give him money, were made this morning when the trial of Lau Kwan-tai, 33, broker, charged with wounding with intent, opened before Mr Justice Gregg in the Criminal Sessions.

It was further alleged that accused had spent the complainant's life savings amounting to \$20,000 and having no income had forced her into prostitution.

Accused is charged with unlawfully and maliciously wounding Li Ying at an unnumbered flat near Wun Sha Street, Tai Hang, on March 3, 1954, with intent to do her grievous bodily harm. Alternatively he is charged with simple wounding.

A Jury of five men and two women has been empanelled. Mr D. Rea, Crown Counsel, said that complainant was brought up in China and after the Pacific War came to Hong Kong.

She went to work and through her industry was able by the end of 1952 to save \$20,000," he said.

At that time she was looking for a husband and met accused. They started to live together as man and wife.

Crown Counsel alleged that through accused's expensive habits he had spent every single dollar the complainant had saved. Accused did not work. Quarrels commenced. They resulted, it was alleged, because of the fact that complainant was no longer able to supply accused with the money he wanted.

Crown Counsel alleged that by means of verbal threats and physical assaults the accused persuaded complainant into prostitution. Her earnings, however, were not sufficient and more quarrels ensued.

PRODUCED RAZOR

About 7.45 p.m. on March 3 last accused asked complainant for money and she said she had none. Thereupon accused produced a double-bladed razor, held horizontally together by the blades, and slashed complainant about the face and breast.

Accused was arrested on April 17 and in answer to the present charges made certain statements.

Dr K. Y. Mak, House Surgeon, Queen Mary Hospital, said he examined complainant about 9.25 p.m. on March 3 and found ten fresh incised parallel wounds on her face and body.

The witness said he was of the opinion that the wounds could have been caused by the razor blades (in court exhibit).

Dr T. C. Pang, Police Surgeon, said he examined various items of clothing belonging to the complainant and found them stained with her type of blood grouping. There were 19 cuts on the clothes.

Hearing is continuing.

Mr Yoshida To Be Subpoenaed

Tokyo, Sept. 6.

The House of Representatives Audit Committee tonight voted to subpoena Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida and three Liberal Party leaders to testify in the shipbuilding scandal investigation.

The subpoena proposal put forward by the left Socialists was put to a vote by committee chairman Shoji Tanaka, an anti-Yoshida Liberal Party man. The 10 opposition members of the committee voted in favour of the proposal, the nine other members, all Liberals, abstained.

The nine Liberals protested and introduced a non-confidence motion against Tanaka when he pronounced the proposal as carried, but the motion was voted down.

Bidets Mr Yoshida, the opposition named Liberal Party Secretary-General Hayato Ikeda, Transportation Minister Mitsuhiro Ichi and former Justice Minister Takarumi Inukai to appear as witnesses in the scandal probe.

The Committee action came as a result of mounting opposition charges that the Premier had deliberately squashed the Justice Ministry's investigation of the scandal when it came too near his Liberal Party.

The charges grew out of the Government action in preventing the arrest of former Liberal Secretary-General Eisaku Sato on suspicion of having been contact man for bribes from shipowners and shipbuilders to the Liberal Party.—United Press.

Britain To Back U.S.A. On Red China Stand

London, Sept. 6.

Authoritative sources said today Britain will back a United States move to defer consideration of Communist China's admission to the United Nations in the General Assembly this year.

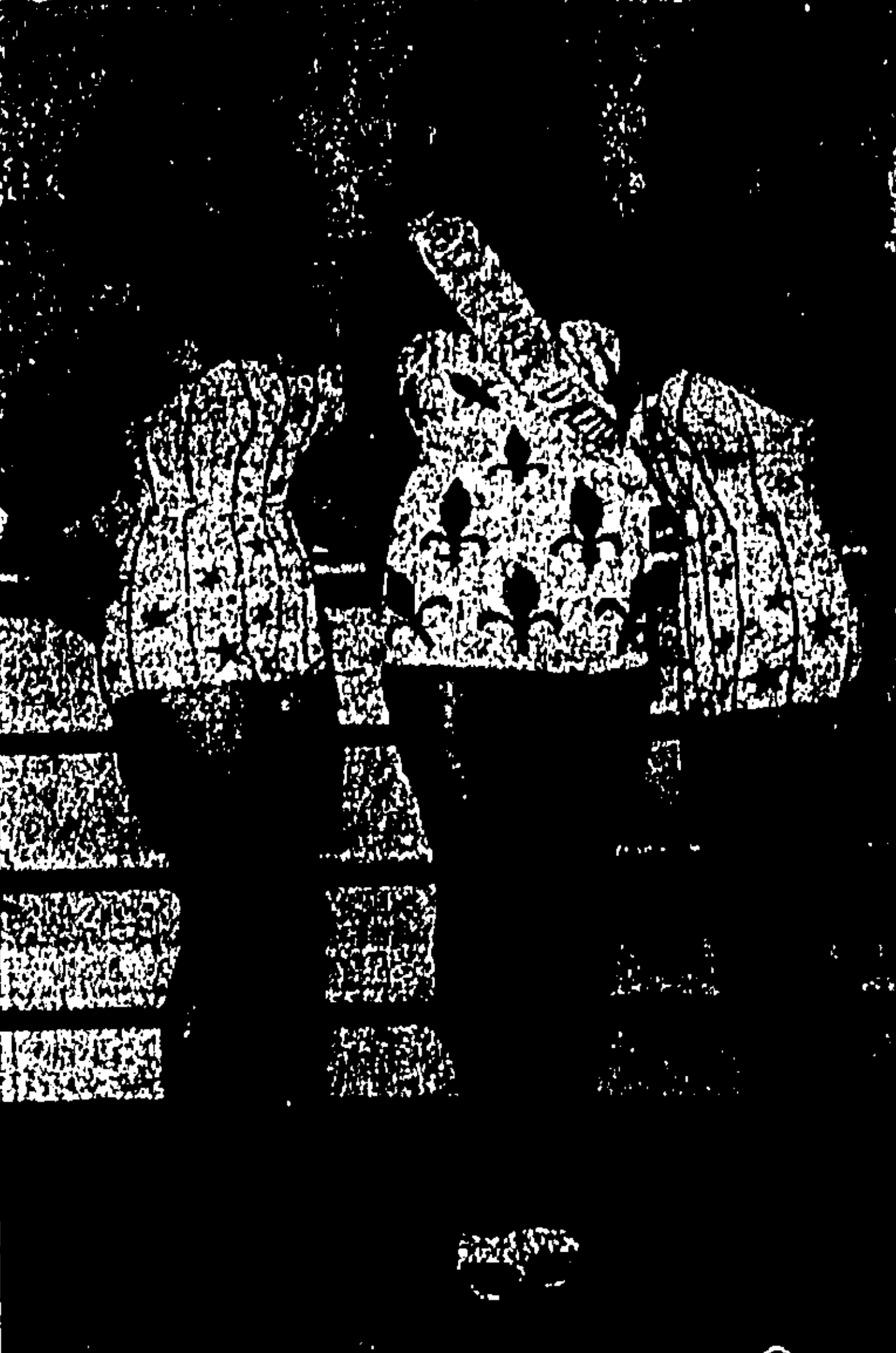
Britain recognises Communist China but does not feel that the issue of her admission should be pressed at this stage, the sources said.

This was Sir Winston Churchill's position last spring, and it still is, they said.

The United States was reported today to be preparing a plan for the postponement of the debate on Communist China's U.N. admission during the rest of this year. This would be supported by Britain.

The British move, the sources said, has no bearing on Britain's diplomatic relations with Red China.—United Press.

French Beauties Parade



Irene Kenin (left), Beauty Queen of Cannes and right, Denise Germain, the Beauty Queen of Juan Les Pins with 16-year-old Paris student Monique Lambert, who has just been elected Beauty Queen of "Cote d'Azur"—Express Photo.

ADENAUER FACES TEST IN STATE ELECTION

Kiel, Germany, Sept. 6.

Chancellor Konrad Adenauer faces his first public test since the collapse of the European Defence Community and the defection of two West German politicians to the East, in a Schleswig-Holstein State election on Sunday.

More than 1,500,000 North Germans will elect a new Parliament and their ballot will reflect their confidence in the Chancellor's leadership.

Dr. Adenauer's Christian Democratic Party (CDU) is expected to win a majority.

Even partners in the Bonn Federal Parliament coalition are openly focusing their campaign in this northernmost State of West Germany, between the North Sea and the Baltic Sea, against the CDU drive for a one-party majority government.

The present Schleswig-Holstein Government is a coalition of CDU and Refugee Party (BHE). But many voters, fugitives from Soviet-occupied Eastern territories of the former German Reich, have to a large extent moved to more industrial areas in other States of West Germany.

DUG ITS OWN GRAVE
The BHE, by helping its voters to find work and new homes outside of Schleswig-Holstein (which is nicknamed the 'poor house of West Germany') because of its lack of big industries, thus dug its own grave as a big Party here.

Christian Democrats are still expected to remain the biggest Party in the land. Their top candidate is the Minister President, Friedrich Wilhelm Lübke, without doubt the most popular candidate among all the top men offered by the nine different Parties.

It is doubtful, however, if the CDU will be able to hold the 47.1 per cent of the popular vote which they recorded in last year's Federal elections.

The farmers, backbone of the CDU here, are worried about this year's bad harvest. Still deep in harvesting work, the farmers have so far shown little interest in the election.

The rethink of the Chancellor's foreign policy, shown in the collapse of EDC, one of the main election issues of the opposing Socialist Party and the recent head-on collision with the British Government over the Suez Canal, have also been factors.

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H.E. Seeks Hongkong Photographs

London, Sept. 6.

Sir Alexander, Grantham, Governor of Hongkong, who is at present on leave in Britain, has launched an appeal for old photographs of historic interest in the Colony.

Although Hongkong photographers are nowadays represented in most international salons and exhibitions, he said, the work of their forbears is not so well known, and much of it disappeared during the Japanese occupation.

The Government of Hongkong is now attempting to repair this loss to some extent by making a collection of old photographs of historic interest.

Sir Alexander has appealed to anyone having suitable photographs either to give them to the Government of Hongkong or lend them so that they can be copied.—Express Service.

Goan 'Liberators' Plan New Move

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—United Press.

Communist Warning To SEATO Delegates 'Laos, Cambodia Should Not Be Included'

Tokyo, Sept. 6.

Communist Vietnam Foreign Minister Phan Van Dong warned last night that inclusion of Laos and Cambodia in the SEATO treaty being negotiated in Manila would violate agreements reached at the Geneva conference.

The two Indo-China States are not represented at the Manila parley, but the French delegation is believed interested in a pact to resist aggression against them.

Pham said that inclusion of Laos and Cambodia at Manila "not only is not in conformity with the Geneva agreements and the final declaration of the conference but is also in flagrant contradiction with the words and spirit of those documents."

Pham made his statement in answer to a series of questions from "Unita," organ of the Italian Communist party. His replies were broadcast by Radio Peking.

Pham said that U.S. Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, said that the U.S. Government "considered that Cambodia and maybe Laos, too, may be included in the draft of the South-East Asian military pact."

Pham said that such a move would be "false and dangerous" and violates declarations made by the Governments of Laos and Cambodia at the close of the Geneva conference.

The Vietnam, Pham said, "absolutely oppose the creation of the SEATO, which is actually an organization in the service of the American intervention in South-East Asia."

Pham said his Government's prime goal is to struggle for the complete liberation of Vietnam. He urged development of "relations of confidence and friendship" with the French Government.—United Press.

PHILIPPINE'S HOPE

Manila, Sept. 7.
The Philippine Vice-President and Foreign Secretary, Carlos Garcia, said last night he was certain that a treaty for the defence of South-East Asia would be agreed upon by the eight nations meeting here.

Mr Garcia, who is chairman of the SEATO parley, said: "A cordial atmosphere is pervading the conference."

"We are sure of forging a treaty," he said, "and added that whether the provisions of the treaty would be 'entirely satisfactory' still remained to be seen."

Today SEATO conference diplomats tackle major points of disagreement following an afternoon session yesterday when they agreed upon five relatively non-controversial articles in the nine-point treaty draft.

The problems boil down to the same key problems bypassed by the working groups in their pre-conference sessions. Those problems deal with the following points:

(1) Whether in the preamble to use the general word "aggressor" or "Communist aggressor". Pakistan holds that the pact should apply to any aggressor, while the third preliminary U.S. draft called for the more strict definition.

(2) Just how should provisions work for economic "self help and mutual aid" in developing member nations' ability to stave off aggression from without and particularly curb subversive aggression from within.

(3) Whether the more dramatic wording of the NATO treaty "an attack against one is an attack against all"—should be used or the more reserved language of the ANZUS pact. Qualified sources have reported that both pact groups are equally effective, but it appeared the Eastern nations still preferred the stronger wording.

(4) Definition of the treaty area, particularly with regard to Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam and Formosa. In his opening address, the U.S. Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, said he hoped some sort of "mantle" of protection could be extended over the first three. Over Philippine objections Formosa was ruled out of bounds in earlier drafts.

Yet another problem centers on whether a clause in the preamble or a separate article be inserted opposing "colonialism." It would be worded as favouring "self determination, freedom and independence" for nations in the region.

COATS OFF

Today's morning and afternoon sessions will be held behind closed doors and it was widely learned that the combination of privacy and Manila temperatures prompted the delegates in yesterday afternoon's closed session to take off their coats and roll up their sleeves when they went to work.

Several of the representatives of the eight nations, including those of the United States, made no secret of their hopes that they can find all the answers to their problems today. They want to adjourn on schedule with a final open plenary session on Wednesday morning.

The Philippines was reported to be taking a strong lead in the competition for location of the headquarters of the treaty organization. It was named yesterday on a Dulles motion as the nation which would serve as repository for ratifications of the treaty.—United Press.

LONDON VIEWS ON FORMOSA

London, Sept. 7.

The Conservative Daily Telegraph said today there was no reason for surrendering Formosa to Communist China simply because Chiang Kai-shek is no longer "a hero of the left."

The American Seventh Fleet, performing a human as well as political service in protecting Formosa from any attempt at invasion, this newspaper said.

"It would, however, be an excellent thing if the United States Government would return to its policy of preventing Nationalist raids on the Communist-held mainland."

"The time for the liberation (in the true sense) of the whole of China has not yet come."

The mass circulation Daily Sketch noted that "the Americans are touchy about Formosa, for that's where Pearl Harbour came from. We ought to back America up in this business."

"We don't want to give presents to the other side. They are never grateful and they are always asking for more," it added.

The Labour Daily Herald said the first sensible step would be to neutralize the island. America was protecting Chiang while leaving him free to raid the Communists.

"Surely it is time for the Chinese civil war—conducted now only outside China—to stop," this newspaper said.

Formosa may not figure in the present discussion of a SEATO pact. But Britain should talk about it privately with the Americans—all the same.—Reuter.

South Korean Constitutional Change

Seoul, Sept. 6.

President Syngman Rhee's Liberal Party has introduced a major constitutional amendment bill which would abolish the office of Prime Minister and allow the 79-year-old President to run for a third term.

The bill was formally submitted to the National Assembly yesterday with the signatures of 138 members—a two-thirds majority of the legislature.

Introduction of such an amendment bill requires signatures of only one-third of the membership.

The signers, however, will be able to cast a secret ballot on the Assembly's vote on the proposal.

Dr Rhee was elected in 1948 and 1952 for four-year terms. The amendment bill also would abolish the post of Prime Minister, thereby perfecting the single executive system modelled after the American Government. It also proposed the creation of a system of retrospective major legislation.—United Press.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



McNeills See Grandson. Have Lunch With Princess Margaret

London, Sept. 6.

Mr J. McNeill, the Hongkong barrister, and his wife, who are spending a holiday in Scotland with their daughter, Lady Dalkeith, were fellow-guests with Princess Margaret at a luncheon party at the home of Lord Dalkeith last weekend.

Princess Margaret, Lord and Lady Dalkeith, and Mr and Mrs McNeill have also visited the theatre together.

Princess Margaret is staying at Eldon Hall, Lord Dalkeith's 30-room mansion in Roxburghshire. There are ten other guests, including Mr Colin Tennant.

Mr and Mrs McNeill have just seen their 15-year-old grandson, Lord Dalkeith, at the time.

—United Press.